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LONDON AIR-MAIL LETTER

Cricketers At Chequers: Association Of The Buffs: Mr. Stokes Reproved: Poor Attendance: Stanley Spencer Disappoints: Don Bradman's Personality

(Special Air Mail Service)

London, May 8.
The Australian cricketers are going to Chequers next Sunday as the guests of the Prime Minister. For a Scot, Mr. MacDonald is showing a great deal of interest in the Australians. He has promised to meet them again at Forres in September.

Probably no member of the team has a heavier mail than Donald Bradman.

While most of his colleagues were in the country yesterday, he was dealing with a pile of correspondence so high that—so he said—"a kangaroo couldn't jump over it."

DINING WITH THE BUFFS

I dined during the week-end with the London branch of the Past and Present Association of the Buffs.

The Buffs are, I think, the only regiment which is up to strength in numbers. Ninety per cent. of its personnel are men of Kent.

The Buffs also hold the Army golf and cross-country championships, the latter for the third year in succession.

The cross-country team are best-dressed and non-smokers.

In Sergeant Bell they have a 42-year-old runner who ran in the winning team of 1920 and again in the winning teams of the past three years.

The Buffs owe their present successful position largely to the work of their regimental association.

The association has fourteen branches in Kent. General Sir Arthur Lyndon Bell, the Colonel of the Regiment, devotes his whole time to the organisation.

The result is that the association has been able not only to find employment for all ex-Buffs but also to supply the regiment with a full quota of Kentish recruits.

There is a moral in this. If every regiment ran its organisation on the same lines, there would be no need for the British Legion. A great deal of money, which is at present spent on overhead expenses, would thereby be saved.

While the War Office gives a pat on the back to regiments whose associations are well run, it does not reprove those that are not so enthusiastic.

ACADEMY REPROVES MR. STOKES

The council of the Royal Academy have written to Mr. Adrian Stokes, R.A., rebuking him for interrupting the Prime Minister's speech at the Royal Academy Banquet on Thursday.

Sir William Llewellyn, president of the Royal Academy, has also written to the Prime Minister ex-

pressing the regret of the Academy that the incident occurred.

When questioned by a reporter Sir William admitted that the council had passed a vote of censure on Mr. Stokes. "The council has not hesitated to express its strong disapproval of Mr. Stokes's action and of his subsequent statements to the Press."

"I Am Glad I Did It."

Mr. Stokes said to a reporter yesterday:—"I am very glad I did it. I have had letters and telegrams from many people—artists and others—approving my action. It always seemed to me discourteous that the guests who attended the banquet year after year did not express the slightest interest in art. I dare say I was discourteous, but in this respect many of our guests have been discourteous too."

"The council, as the official body had to reprove me. They expressed the hope that I should not do such a thing again. Of course I shall not. I believe my action will have a great effect."

THE PRIVATE VIEW

A good many people thought that a Saturday private view at the Royal Academy would be poorly attended, but at an early hour the galleries were so full that it was difficult to get a decent view of the pictures and it was almost impossible to discover one's friends in the crowd. There were times when new-comers could hardly have broken the square in the chief gallery, where people stood in lines facing the walls, and those hemmed in were straining for near positions.

This was largely due to the fact that for once the private viewers, who usually wander about in a state of happy ignorance, free to give their attention to anything that catches the fancy, had been able to read the critics' opinions—which in the past have been published next day. They knew what they ought to admire, and they were doing their best. This studios preoccupation helped to rob the gathering of a festival appearance. The dress experts were agreed that from their point of view nothing could have been duller. In the afternoon, when the weather had cleared, the predominant black and navy blue was enlivened by several summery crepe frocks and occasional vivid scarlets or bright greens.

The Prime Minister did not pay his usual early morning visit, but Miss Sheila MacDonald was there, and Miss Megan Lloyd George came in her father's place. Lady Oxford, King George of Greece, Lord and Lady D'Abernon, who

talked for some time with the Italian Ambassador, and the Duchess of Westminster were among the morning visitors, and one noticed several of the women whose portraits were on the walls. The galleries were crowded again after lunch, but by four o'clock most of the people had left.

STUDYING SPENCER

Mr. Stanley Spencer caused more heartburning than has been endured at a private view for many a year, or perhaps it would be fairer to hold his critics responsible. There were happy care-free folk who, arriving unprepared in front of one of his problems, stopped dead and remained to wonder, guess or laugh. But many people, earnest and eager, came determined to spend a good deal of time before the paintings. They usually stopped with a little jolt, but one heard them repeating a critic's prophecy about the place this artist would hold in fifty years' time as they tried to understand what it was all about. In front of "Souvenir of Switzerland" the rows of spectators were most of their case, feeling there was something in it they could understand. Two young girls, indeed, told each other, "Switzerland is just like that."

The crowd distributed itself fairly well through all the rooms except for the backwater devoted to architecture, where there would be a dozen or so at a time. The great model of Sir Edwin Lutyens's Liverpool Cathedral was viewed by everyone, though when Sir John Squire came to examine it from every angle he had the central hall almost to himself. Cardinal Bourne, who was accompanied by Mr. Coote, was an early visitor. The model excited a great amount of interest. Hundreds of people took note of every detail and peered through the doors at the dim interior. The idea in the minds of many of those who pictured the actual building that is to be expressed by an elderly man as he turned away, saying to his daughter, "I shall not live to see it, but you will."

"WONDER HERO"

In bus and boulevard, in theatre and teashop, there is one name on every pair of lips. The new boys in the street shout it out and their bills blazon it forth while the sheets still wet from the Press print the same name in heavy black type and display various photographs of the same tight-lipped face with the enigmatic smile under the floppy cap. Bradman, scarcely off the boat from Australia, has already seized the centre of the stage, and his personality permeates far beyond the normal bounds of the cricket public. He is the modern "wonder hero," the greatest batsman of all time, the willow wielder with out peer, and the man who is to take "The Ashes" back to Australia. So soon is Ranji's flashing bat forgotten, so quickly has Hobbs's exquisite skill dropped from memory!

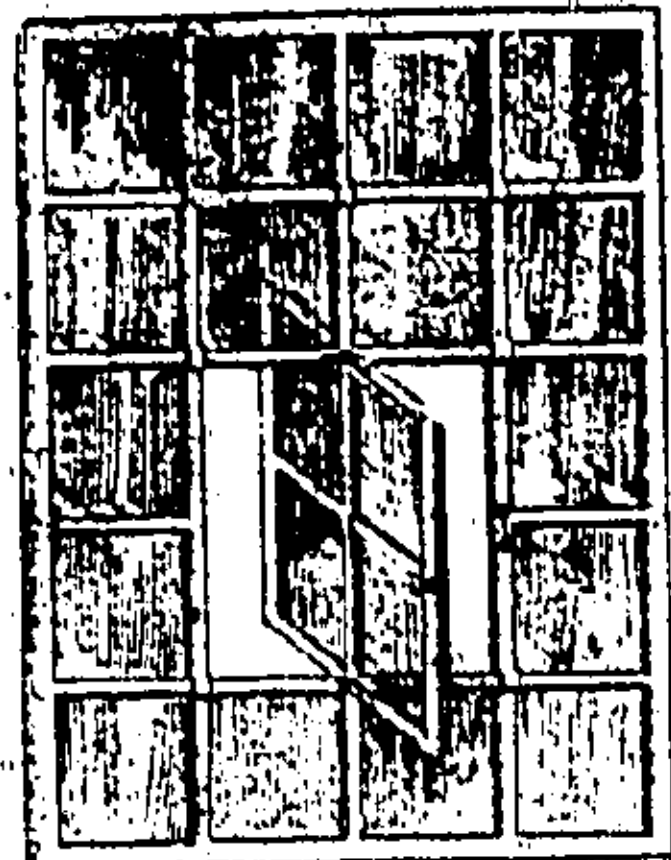
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Development In China

Until the present form of government began in Nanking six years ago, practically nothing had been done, he said, to regulate electricity supply. The National Reconstruction Commission had now, however, issued technical rules for Chinese, electric supply utilities, these being mainly a blend of British, European and American practice. Regulations for the registration of supply companies, for indoor and outdoor wiring and for dealing with the theft of electricity, had also been promulgated. Further, an annual statistical investigation

had been begun, and this would be increasingly useful as it became more accurate. Generally speaking, the regulations had been sensibly framed with one eye on existing conditions and the other on the future. But he could not help deploring the variation of 10 per cent. permitted in the supply voltage. Actually, the variation was frequently as much as 40 per cent., as the result of emphasis being laid on efficiency of generation and the neglect of distribution. The Commission were doing their utmost to standardise the frequency at 50, and gradually, no doubt, the standard for all classes of electrical apparatus would be tightened up. It was particularly desirable that there should be better standards of insulation. If only to reduce the present heavy loss of life. Two or three electrical fatalities per month were recorded by the Shanghai Municipal Council alone. Uniform standards for allowable temperature rise in motors and generators would also be welcomed.

It had often been stated that one solution of the world's unemployment problem was the economic development of China. The result had been such a concentration by electrical manufacturers on the China market that the prices obtainable were not only frequently unremunerative, but made local production uneconomical. The hydro-electric possibilities of the country had also been greatly exaggerated. Not more than 1,000 kW had as yet been developed, and what remained was too remote from load or distribution centres to make its utilisation worth while. This was particularly true of the Yangtze Valley. Economic stagnation must continue, except in Shanghai, Canton and Tsingtau, until an adequate system of transport was produced, and this, in turn, waited on finance.

VELOX STEAM GENERATOR

The development of steam boiler design in recent years has been remarkable both in respect of the great increases in working pressures and in the radical departures from orthodox constructional practice which have taken place.

Our readers will remember the controversy excited in 1932 and 1933 by the proposals and claims put forward by Messrs. Brown, Boveri and Company for their Velox steam generator, in which an evaporator of novel design is combined with a gas turbine operated by the products of combustion, this providing most of the power required to drive a turbo compressor which delivers air to the combustion chamber at a pressure of about 20 lb. per square inch. The controversy, to which our correspondence columns bore voluminous testimony, centred round the statement that—at any rate, in that type of Velox generator in which combustion took place in a series of explosions—the heat contents of the steam delivered from the generator could under ideal conditions actually exceed the calorific value of the fuel consumed.

With interest previously aroused in this way, it was naturally to be expected that the first public announcement in this country of the actual performance of Velox generators would be an occasion of great interest and the presentation of a paper on "The Velox Steam Generator," by Mr. M. G. S. Swallow, before the North Western Branch of the Institution of Mechanical Engineers, in Manchester, on March 27, came up to expectations in many respects, though the discussion was almost devoid of criticism. Can it be that this is to be taken as an acknowledgment of the soundness of the principles upon which the Velox boiler is designed? The audience was normal in numbers and representative, in its composition, yet only one speaker referred to the claim of "more than 100 per cent. efficiency," and he did so only to regret that the excitement which he had anticipated had not materialised. Perhaps it is as well that, instead of a debate on thermodynamic abstractions, the discussion on such a paper should centre as it did round the practical questions of serviceability, reliability, and the mechanical soundness of the plant. It was, however, disappointing in that the manufacturers or users of large high-pressure boilers were not represented in the debate.

The facts recorded in Mr. Swallow's paper, and the reception it was given, all go to show that in the at present exceedingly active field of steam-generator design, in which numerous innovations of great originality are being tried, the Velox boiler is a competitor not to be despised, and its progress will be watched with interest whatever thermodynamic argument may suggest.

THE ENGINEERS IRON AND STEEL IN CHARGE

Trade Reorganisation

Conflicting Speeches At Annual Dinner

The annual dinner of the Institution of Engineers in Charge, held provided food for thought, in that the speeches to the toasts were somewhat conflicting. Since Sir Alfred Backer, who proposed the toasts of "The Institution," had referred last year to the subject of Waterloo Bridge, now again to the fore as a result of the recent action of the august body of which he is a member, it was expected that he might again have something to say on this matter. He was, however, silent on the point and left reference to it to others, of the London County Council to the Institution. He assured those present that if they organised themselves effectively, the Council would be only too willing to listen to them. Lieut.-Colonel J. D. Restler, the president, spoke also on the subject of organisation, but stated that brain power constituted really our only national asset, and that what was needed was the organisation of brain power to meet foreign competition and to prevent our brain power being turned by foreigners to our disadvantage.

During his term of office he had been impressed by the manner in which members had worked actively together for the good of their institution and in a wider field, for the good of the country. Sir Ernest Benn, C.B.E., who proposed the toast of "Success to our Industrial Future," considered that we were in danger of becoming over-organised. From every type of platform we were told that industry had failed and that the solution lay in rationalisation, organisation, subsidisation, and other things denoted by the word planning, which really meant somebody messing about with our affairs. The old-time ideas had not failed. The nation, supposed to be so helpless, had put into the public purse since the war, no less than 25 thousand millions in rates and taxes alone, an absolutely unprecedented performance. Now they were liable to become pauperised, in the sense that persons to whom this term applied, were dependent upon public assistance—from directors downwards. The country, he thought, had gone mad, having suddenly discovered, as it believed, that the way to get rich quick and enjoy life better was to produce less and make things more expensive.

Mr. Charles Day, in response to the toast, said he assumed that the reply had been entrusted to him because the future lay with the mechanical engineer. He, together with Mr. Alan E. Chorlton, who spoke subsequently, pleaded for a continuance of the individual effort which had meant so much in the past to our country's prosperity. Mr. P. V. Hunter, replying for the guests, spoke of the days when an attempt was made to replace engineers in

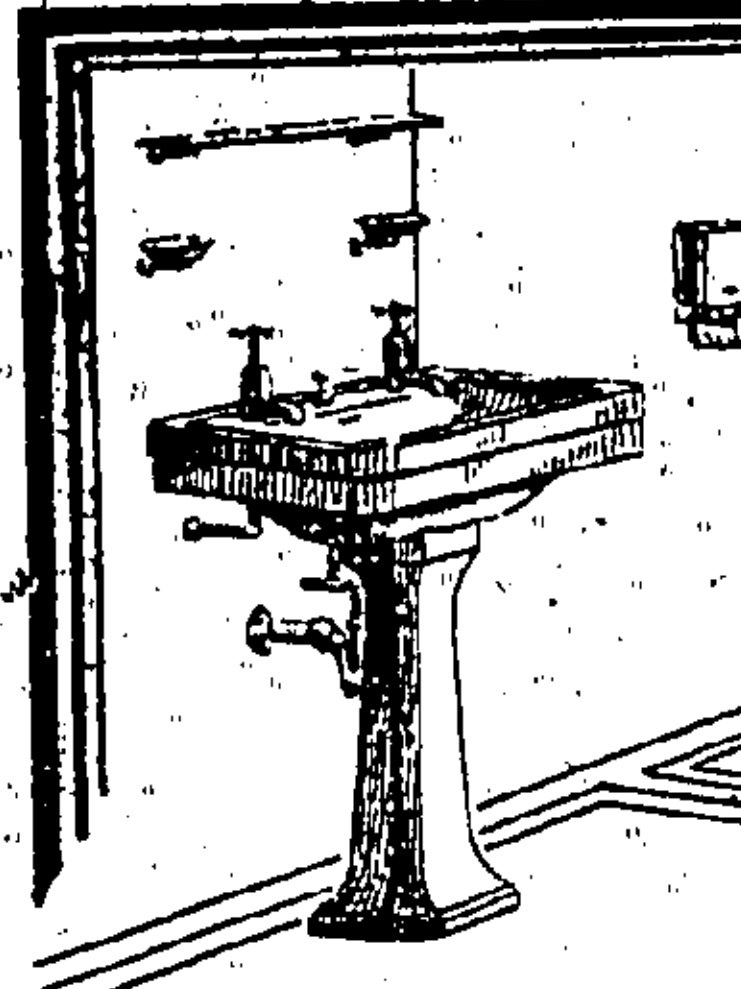
Almost exactly two years ago the Import Duties Advisory Committee recommended the imposition of a duty of 33 1/3 per cent. on a wide range of iron and steel products, but stated in doing so that in their opinion this protection would not suffice to place the industry in a position to play a proper part in the national economy, unless it was accompanied by a considerable measure of reorganisation. As a result a National Committee of the whole industry was set up, which, by March, 1933, had succeeded in formulating and getting accepted a scheme for correlating production and consumption. Among the suggestions made with this end in view was the establishment of an Iron and Steel Corporation of Great Britain, which would take over the work of the National Federation of Iron and Steel Manufacturers. Considerable difficulty was, however, experienced in drafting the necessary constitution, and when this, after more than one revision, was submitted to a meeting of the National Federation of Iron and Steel Manufacturers on February 23 of this year, it was only accepted "in principle," a Committee being appointed to prepare a final draft, which was to take in account all suggestions that had already been or might be received.

As result it was arranged to hold a meeting on Thursday, April, 19, at which resolutions providing for the adoption of the new constitution and giving directions to the new Executive Committee were to be proposed. These directions lay down that the Committee shall at once give earnest attention to measures for obtaining the affiliation of associations, for promoting the maximum efficiency brought out the industry and for developing the export trade. The Council of the Federation will consist of twenty-nine representatives of iron and steel makers and forty-one representatives of affiliated associations, but the real authority will be in the hands of the Executive Committee, already referred to, which will be given full authority to conduct the affairs of the Federation and to act in its name. Generally speaking, the objects of the Federation in matters of general policy as may be desirable to secure the orderly progress of the industry and to organise and regulate the disposal of imported iron and steel products and the promotion of the export trade. It is emphasised that in carrying out these and other less widespread objects the Federation will act on the governing principle of the complete autonomy of each affiliated association, but whether this will weaken or strengthen the new body, time alone can show.

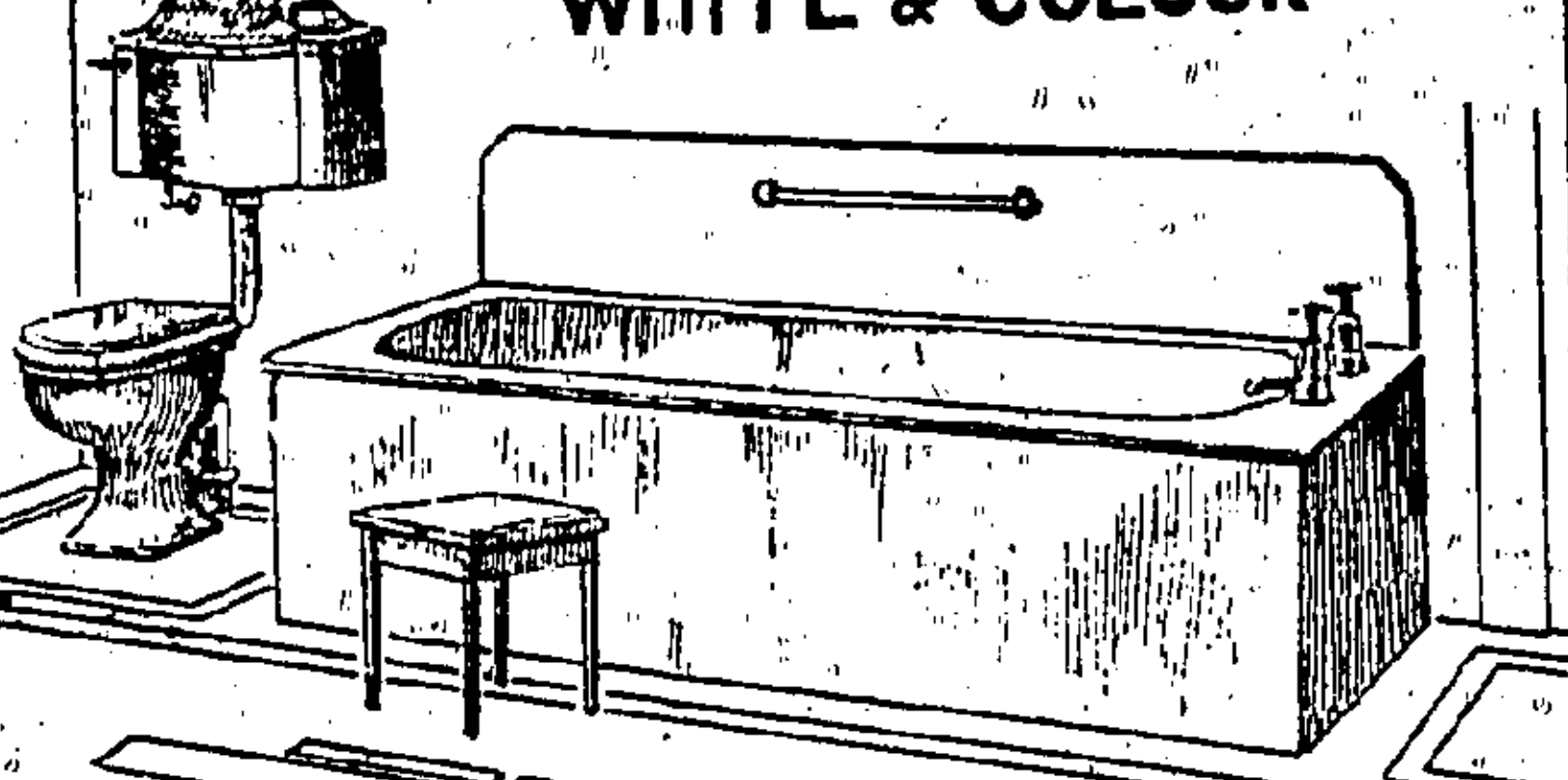
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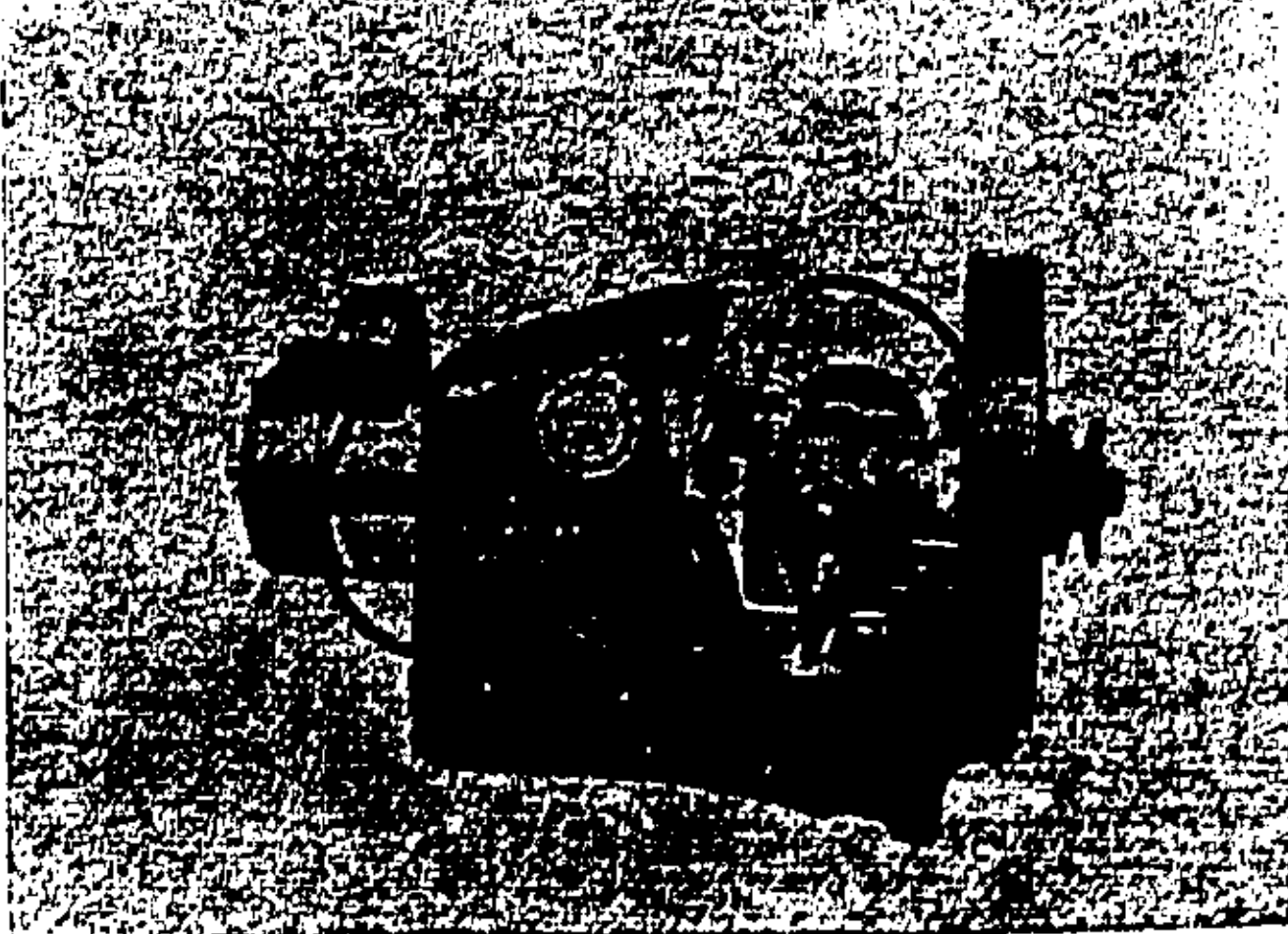
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The inspection, which was expertly conducted by members of the staff, showed to the Shanghai public that such an enterprise may be maintained at the same time with the highest degree of efficiency and without any of the soot and odours that in the past have characterized gas works in all parts of the world.

The viewing of the numerous units of the plant took place after a reception and tea held in a large matchless festively decorated with flags and bunting. Hosts at the reception were Mr. L. E. Canning, Chairman of the Board of Directors, and members of the directing staff, including Mr. W. J. Baker, engineer-in-chief and manager, and Mr. W. J. Brown, secretary.

Those who attended included representatives of the Shanghai Municipal, of the Municipality of Greater Shanghai, the Shanghai Water Works, the Consular Body, the Chinese Mint, shareholders of the Gas Co., and engineers, builders, and architects who had associated in the erection of the buildings.

Among those present were Sir John Brennan, H. M. Consul General, and Lady Brennan; Brig. S. Thackeray, commanding officer of the British Forces in the Shanghai Area; Brig. Gen. E. B. Macnaghten, vice-Chairman of the S.M.C.; M. J. Meyrier, Consul General of France; Mr. and Mrs. S. E. Faber; Mr. A. D. Blackburn, H. M. Superintending Consul; the Rev. Dr. E. Morgan; Dean A. C. C. Trivett; and Mr. Louis Beale, British Commercial Counsellor.

After the serving of refreshments Mr. Canning welcomed the guests and spoke briefly on the significance of the occasion.

Mr. Canning's Speech

"The object of the brochure before you is to avoid speech-making," he said, referring to the descriptive, illustrated book on the new plant distributed to the guests. "There will be no cutting of lake or turning of a valve to signify the opening of the works, because they have been operating since February 8."

"And so, to-day, I ask you only to inspect our works. I believe I may say that we have the most up-to-date of its kind in the world."

"In thus welcoming you I cannot let the opportunity pass to

refer to the catastrophe which hit our sister company in Hong Kong. We wish to offer our regrets and sympathies to those who suffered in the explosion. "I now invite you to inspect the plant under the guidance of members of the staff."

Mr. Canning pointed out that the works were clean and devoid of the smells commonly associated with gas plants, but announced that white smocks had nevertheless been provided for the ladies of the party in order to safeguard their dresses from oil should they get too close to any of the machinery.

The Board of Directors of the Shanghai Gas Co. for 1934 is composed of Mr. Canning, the Chairman; Mr. A. D. Bell, retired Chairman of the Shanghai Municipal Council; Mr. R. M. Joseph; Mr. A. W. Burkill; and Mr. H. Kadoorie.

Mr. Baker, as engineer-in-chief and manager, is assisted by Mr. J. K. Simpson, deputy engineer, and Mr. Brown, the secretary. A foreign and Chinese staff of several hundred is employed in the operation of the vast enterprise.

The plant was built and equipped at a cost of \$5,000,000 and represents the finest materials and workmanship obtainable. Besides the production of gas, many important byproducts are gained, such as coke, tar, cyanogen, and sulphur. Practically nothing goes to waste in the process of carbonisation.

Gas, the main product, is used universally in the home and in industry. In Shanghai, one of the industrial uses is at the Central Mint. Tar products offer a variety of uses—they go into perfumes, motor spirit, paving materials, dyes, and medicines.

At the new works the treatment of coal tar has received special attention and two twelve-ton pot stills for the production of pitch or refined tar have been installed.

Ammoniacal liquor will be treated in the near future, after the installation of a plant for which ground area has been provided. It is planned to produce either sulphate of ammonia or anhydrous ammonia.

THE BRIBE

"Your solution to this problem is incorrect," announced the teacher. "You'll have to stay and solve it." The boy's face clouded, and he inquired, "Just how far from the answer was it?"

"You were two cents off," replied the teacher. The boy started searching his pockets. "If you don't mind," he suggested, "I'll just pay the difference."

NEWS FROM PORTUGAL

The Discoverer of Madeira Islands.
A military parade will take place on the 28th inst. at Funchal the capital of Madeira Islands to commemorate the date of the discovery of the archipelago, when a monument to Gonalves Zarco, the discoverer of the islands in 1419 shall be unveiled.

The Destroyer "Douro"

The second destroyer bought by the Columbian Government from Portugal, where she was built, was handed over to Columbian representatives at Lisbon on the 16th inst. It is worth noting that the workmanship of the Lisbon shipyards was considered excellent and the negotiations for the purchase of these two destroyers by Columbia were settled very quickly owing to the satisfaction of the representatives after their inspection of the two naval units. These negotiations were conducted through the British Admiralty who has detailed a few naval officers and ratings to man these two new ships and to train the Columbian navy.

Two new destroyers are being built at the Lisbon yards to replace these sold to Columbia.

A New Harbour.

Following his policy of improvement of harbours and construction of new ones where necessary, Dr. Salazar has approved the financial allocation of funds for the new harbour at Peniche. The works have just started to the satisfaction of the fishing population of Peniche which is a great fishing centre.

New Schools.

£350,000 were distributed by the Finance Department of Portugal to various places of the country for improvement of schools and construction of new lycées throughout the country.

Belgian Embassy at Lisbon.

A Belgian embassy that went to Portugal expressly to announce to the Portuguese Government the proclamation of King Leopold III arrived at Lisbon on the 16th inst.

Colonial Exhibition.

To do duty at the forthcoming Colonial Exhibition taking place next month at Oporto, the 5th Company of the Native Infantry of Mozambique arrived at Lisbon with the regimental band. After being inspected by representatives of the Colonial Office they will be stationed at Lisbon for a few days and then shall proceed to Oporto where they will stay during the Exhibition.

Activity of the Colonial Office.
Dr. Armindo Monteiro, has just completed three years in succession as the head of Portugal's colonial administration at the Colonial Office. The activity of this office during these three years has been great and the Home press could not let this date pass unnoticed. References were made to the activity of the Colonial office during these few years which could be summarized as follows: Publication of the new Colonial Organic Administration Act; Overseas Administration Reform; Imperial Conference of Governors and Colonial Treasurers; Propaganda of the Colonies by visits to Paris and lectures made there with press reports; Reform of the General Agency for the Colonies at Lisbon; Official visits of the Minister to the Colonies; Publications of the General Agency for the Colonies; Bulletins, etc. Creation of the Order of the Empire; Foundation of Historical Archives of the Colonies; Organization of Classical works concerning Portuguese world expansion; Bulletin of Overseas Legislation; Review "Portuguese World" and Visits of Native Troops to Portugal; Balancing of 31/32, 32/33 and 33/34 Colonial Budgets; General Reconstitution of Colonial Finances Administration; Development of inter-colonial trade; Development of inter-colonial and Home trade; Creation of Industrial Credit at Mozambique; Reform of the Statute of Bank of Angola; Intensification and measures to attain the principle that each colony should be self-supporting and economical steps to reach the

realization of it; Laws concerning the transfer of funds from Angola, Mozambique and Timor; Exchange Law of Angola and Mozambique; Constitution of the Overseas Bank; Nationalization of currency at Mozambique and at Mozambique Company; Establishment of prizes for the production of cotton in the colonies; Special concessions of grounds for cattle and dairies establishments; Laws concerning alcohol; Protection and development of forestry at Angola; Protection to Agriculture at St. Thomas Islands; Protection to Colonial products; Organisation of colonial activities; Formation of the Fishing Syndicate at Mossamedes (8th Angola); Formation of the Syndicate of Colonial Maze and grain products; Loans for the economical re-construction of Cape Verde Islands; Contribution to the Colonial Exhibition at Paris; Fair of samples at Angola and Mozambique (colonial products); Organisation of the 1st Colonial Exhibition at Portugal; Creation of the Home and Colonial Houses in the Colonies and at Lisbon; Small improvements to the organization of the General Agency for the Colonies; Suspension of sending criminals to the colonial criminal stations; Legislation concerning the deportation of criminals to the Colonies.

Many other important items could be mentioned to include all the activity of the Colonial office even precluding reference to the daily hundreds of subjects which have to be attended by the Colonial Office.

That the Portuguese people is becoming colonial-minded is beyond doubt, specially in the last few years which have brought to their knowledge facts and possibilities which the average man at Home would not stop for a moment to consider before.

This is just a reflex of the stimulus created by Dr. Salazar's initiative and financial administration. A new spirit is prevailing in all quarters of the Administration of the Country. The Public Works Office, the Industry and Commerce, the Agriculture Office, not to mention the Navy and War Office, the last two having undergone recently quite interesting re-organization with the development of military and naval aviation, new war material, new ships, etc. etc., all show the signs of the influence the example of Dr. Salazar has impressed into public administrators.

Dr. Salazar and the French Press.

The publicity given to the country by the publication of Antonio Ferro's book "Salazar" in its French edition by the well-known editor Grasset of Paris, has contributed largely for the frequent references now being made by all leading French papers to Portugal, its important financial recovery and to the new corporative state. Paul Valery, leads the long list of the most able writers and journalists who have contributed writings to the French Press concerning Portugal. Mr. Antonio Ferro who visited Paris recently in connection with the publication of French edition of his book has been the object of many signs of appreciation by the reading representatives of the French press and intellectual organizations of Paris.

The Portuguese Foreign Minister.

Dr. Castro da Matta, the Portuguese foreign minister has been awarded the Grand Cross of the Legion d'Honneur. The Minister of Commerce of Portugal has been awarded a similar honour by the French Government owing to their intervention in the negotiations of the new Commercial Treaty between Portugal and France.

KING AND QUEEN OF SIAM

Guests Of The Lord Mayor

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London, May 8.

The King and Queen of Siam were the guests of the Lord Mayor and Lady Mayoress (Sir Charles and Lady Collett) at dinner at the Mansion House last night.

The Lord Mayor received their Majesties at the main door and conducted them to the salon, where he presented the Lady Mayoress and the guests. All then proceeded to the Egyptian Hall.

Here one long table was laid displaying the famous collection of

DIARY OF LOCAL EVENTS

TO-DAY

SATURDAY, MAY 26.

Anniversaries and Holidays.
Queen Mary born, 1867. Ember Day.

Auctions.—Lammert's Sale of Silk Piece Goods, etc., Sales Room, 10 a.m.

Cinemas

King's:—"George White's Scandals"

Queen's:—"20,000 Years In Sing Sing"

Central:—"Orphans Of The Storm" (Chinese Picture).

Oriental:—"Penthouse"

World:—"Another Language"

Lee:—"City Lights"

Alhambra:—"Wharf Angel"

Majestic:—"Rome Express"

Star:—"Kongo"

Dances

Hong Kong Hotel Dance Competition final.

Entertainments

Grand Subscription Concert on behalf of British Empire Cancer Campaign, King's College, 9 p.m.

Miscellaneous

Hong Kong Union Church Young People's Bathing Party, from Queen's Pier, 2.30 p.m.

Whist Drive and Tombola, (Ladies' Club, S.W.B.), Murray Barracks, 8 p.m.

Moon.—IV. Moon, 14th. Day.

Principal Mails

Inward from Europe via Suez by Katori Maru.

Outward for Australia by Kitano Maru, 9.30 a.m.; for Europe via Siberia by Katori Maru, 3.30 p.m.

Sports

Football.—Football Match, Chinese Olympic Team v. Hong Kong, H.K.F.C. ground, 5.30 p.m.

Lawn Bowls.—Senior Division: Talkoo R.C. v. Craigengower C.C.

"A" v. Kowloon B.G.C. v. Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon R.C. v. Kowloon C.C. v. Craigengower C.C.

"B" v. Club de Recreio; Second Division: Craigengower C.C. v. Hong Kong Electric R.C.; Civil Service C.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.

Kowloon C.C. v. Indian R.C.; Club de Recreio v. Yacht Club; Police R.C. v. Hong Kong Football Club.

Rifle Shooting.—Hong Kong Rifle Club Monthly Competition, 2.30 p.m.

Sunrise.—5.39 a.m. Sunset.—7.00 p.m.

Tides.—High at 7.07 and 20.14; Low at 0.35 and 13.45.

SUNDAY, MAY 27.

Anniversaries and Holidays.
Trinity Sunday.

Cinemas

King's:—"George White's Scandals"

Queen's:—"Only Yesterday"

Central:—"Wild Cargo"

Oriental:—"Kongo"

World:—"Another Language"

Lee:—"City Lights"

Alhambra:—"Only Yesterday"

Majestic:—"Sitting Pretty"

Star:—"Beauty For Sale"

Religions

Closing Feast of the Month of May, Solemn Procession in Catholic Cathedral Compound, 5 p.m.

Sports

Golf.—Completion of second round First Happy Valley Summer Singles Tournament.

Rifle Shooting.—Hong Kong Rifle Club Monthly Competition, 9.30 a.m.

Sunrise.—5.39 a.m. Sunset.—7.01 p.m.

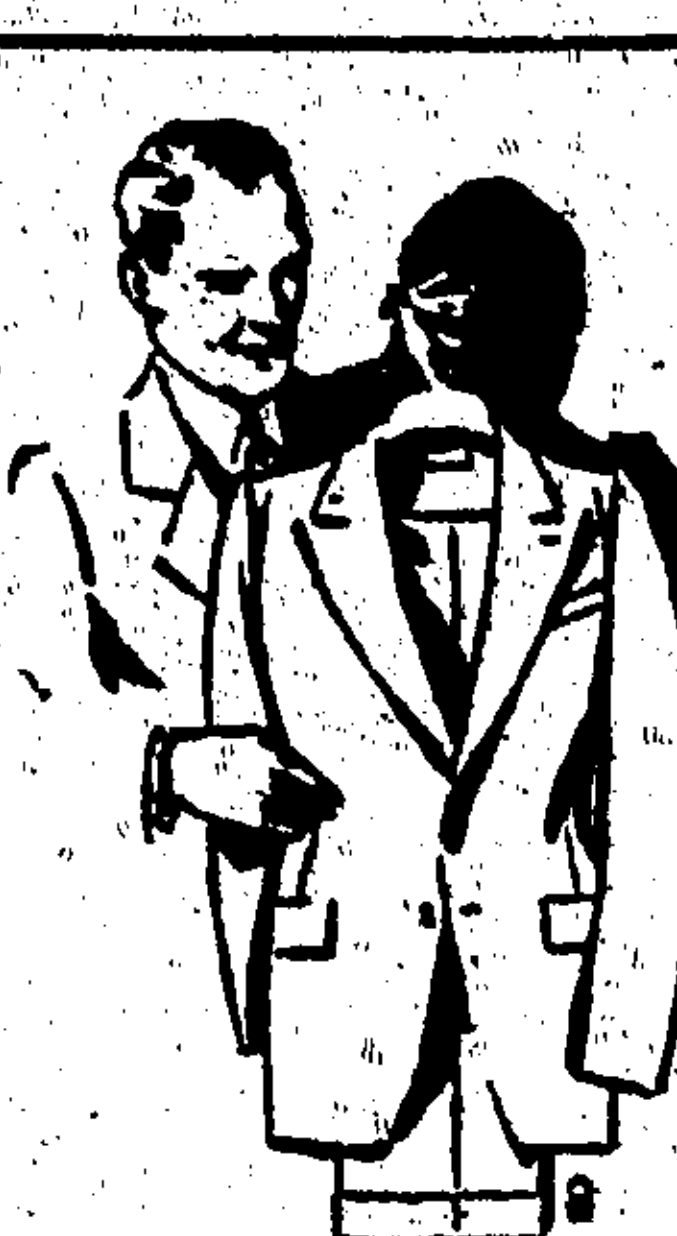
Tides.—High at 7.40 and 21.16; Low at 1.15 and 14.34.

Mansion House plate, interspersed with floral decorations comprising gerbera (Cape daisy), red, pink, and white roses, orchids, white lilies, and variously coloured carnations.

The King of Siam sat on the right, and the Queen on the left, of the Lord Mayor, the King having the Lady Mayoress on his right, and the Queen the senior alderman, Sir George Truscott, on her left. Facing them were Prince Devawongs, Alderman Lord Wakefield of Hythe and Lady Wakefield of Hythe, Alderman Lord Marshall, the Hon. Edith Smith, and the Governor of the Bank of England and Mrs. Montagu Norman.

There were no speeches, the toast of the King and Queen, and the King and Queen of Siam, being accorded in silence.

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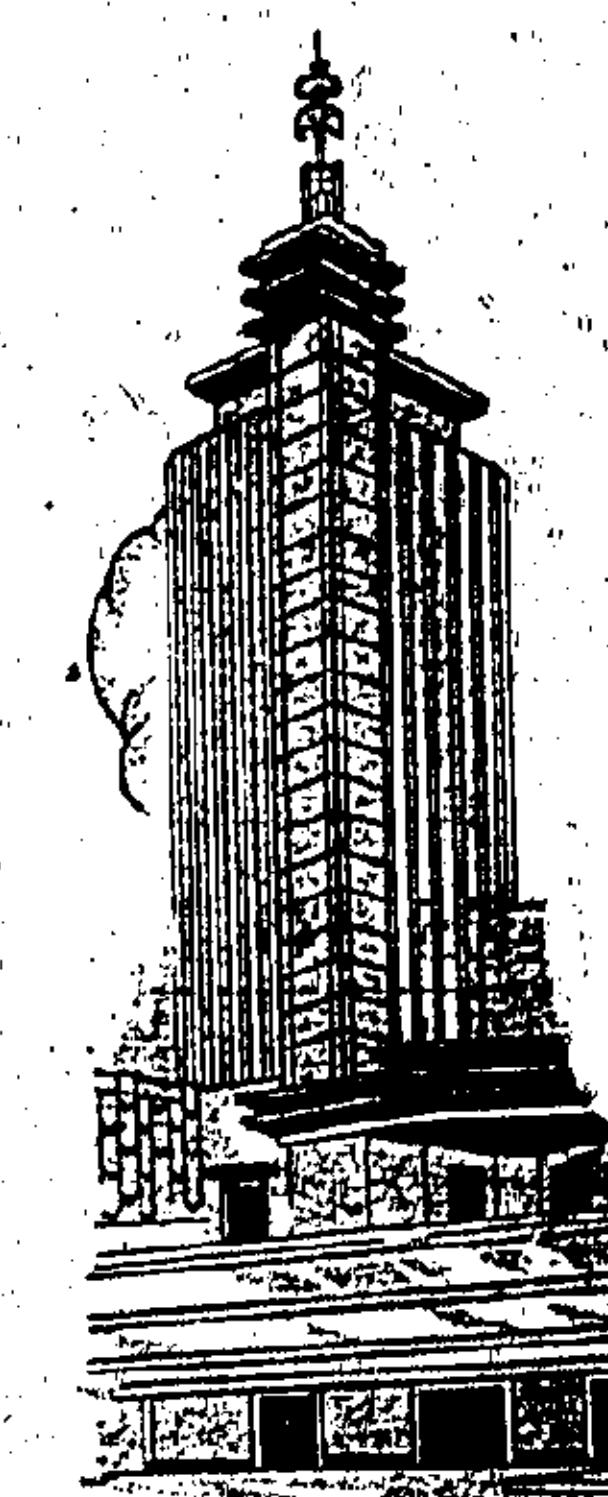
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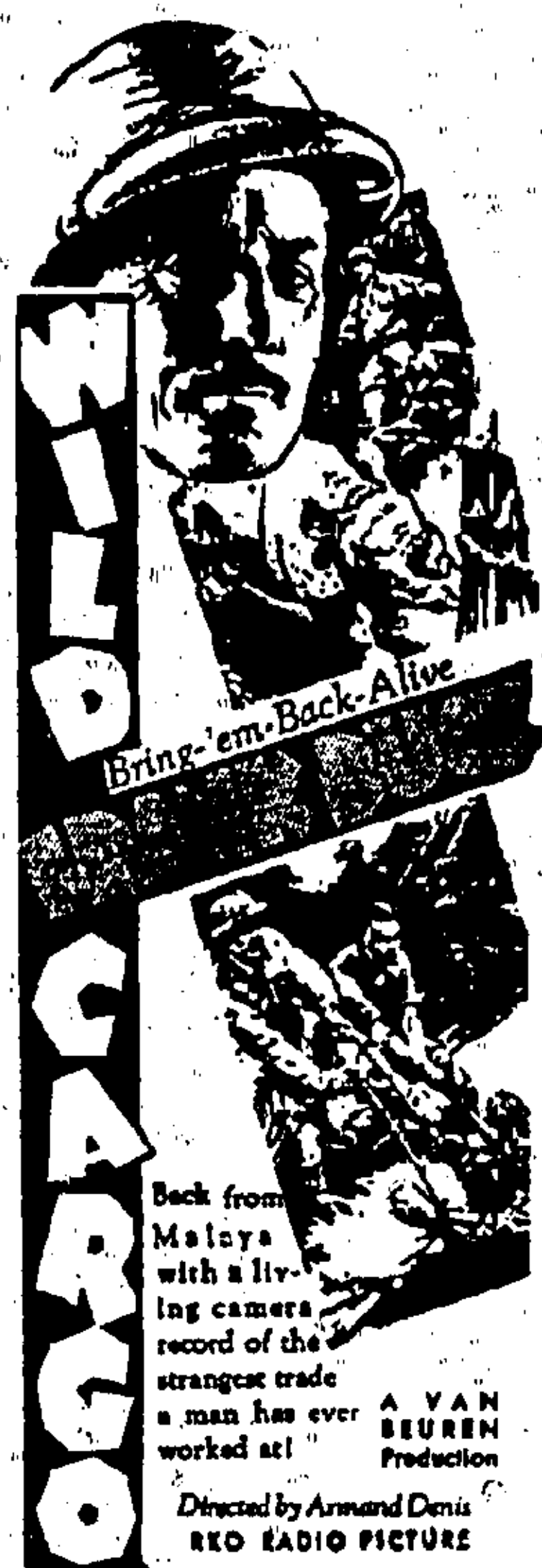
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Up and down the country, as up and down the social scale, there are plenty of Pickwicks to be found and apparently many of them are well aware of their resemblance to Dickens's great humorous character. No fewer than 200 men have applied to a Shepherd's Bush film studio as well qualified to take the title role in the forthcoming production of "Mr. Pickwick." They include a London

TO-DAY AT THE CINEMA**HONG KONG****KING'S**—
"George White's Scandals"**QUEEN'S**—
"20,000 Years in Sing Sing"**CENTRAL**—
"Orphans of the Storm"
(Chinese Picture).**ORIENTAL**—
"Penthouse"**LEE**—
"City Lights"**KOWLOON****ALHAMBRA**—
"Wharf Angel"**STAR**—
"Kongo"**MAJESTIC**—
"Rome Express"**Coming****KING'S**—
"Ever Since Eve"**QUEEN'S**—
"Only Yesterday"**ORIENTAL**—
"The Kongo"**ALHAMBRA**—
"Hold Me Tight"**CENTRAL**—
"Only Yesterday"**STAR**—
"Wild Cargo"**MAJESTIC**—
"Beauty For Sale"**GEORGE WHITE'S "SCANDALS"****Opening At The King's**

At the King's Theatre to-day, Fox film will have the distinction of presenting the first and only motion picture edition of the famous George White's "Scandals." The entire production was conceived and staged by George White himself. The film is reported to be as elaborate and as spectacular as any of White's previous successes on the Broadway stage. With the advantages offered by recent developments in talking pictures, White was able to produce a film that he says, he could not possibly contemplate replicating on the stage.

When White left for Hollywood, he took with him his staff of song writers, dance directors and technicians. He also transported his gorgeous galaxy of original "Scandals" girls. The staff had been associated with White in his previous successes, and it was from them he anticipated the success that the film is said to be. The song writers, Jack Yellen, Irving Caesar, and Ray Henderson, all hit composers, have created ten melodic songs for this production. The dazzling dances in the eight revue numbers were directed by George Hale, past master at creating ultra-modern routines. Beside the song hits and revues, the film is enriched with fifteen comedy blackouts that give promise of being the high points of the production.

Interspersed with the song numbers, revues and blackouts is a romantic story involving the principals of the show. At one time, the romance threatens to ruin the show, but the clear thinking of the producer, who is George White himself, saves the show and brings happiness to a pair of lovers.

The cast, with which White has surrounded himself is large, and is studded with array of screen, stage and radio personalities. Among the most prominent are Rudy Vallee, Jimmy Durante, Alice Faye, Adrienne Ames, Cliff Edwards and Gregory Ratoff.

Produced by Robert T. Kane for Fox, the film was directed by Thornton Freeland and Harry Lachman. George White and Samuel Shipman wrote the story, and William Conselman was responsible for the screen play.

goldsmith, a Chelsea artist, a Lancashire butcher, a Bristol head waiter, a former army bayonet fighting instructor from York, and a Newcastle navy. All these are plump gentlemen, but fragile lightweights compared with an applicant from the north who boasts a weight of 23 stones. This last would surely better cast as the "Fat Boy." A mass meeting of the potential Pickwicks is to be held at which the process of elimination will begin.

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MARY BRIAN—HERBERT MUNDIN**THE INSIDE STORY****Of Life At Sing Sing**

Actual prison life is unfolded with a thrill and surprise in the First National picture "Twenty Thousand Years in Sing Sing," which is showing at the Queen's Theatre. The picture really starts where most pictures dealing with lawless men leave off.

The story, taken from the sensational book by Lewis E. Lawes, Warden of Sing Sing Prison at Ossining, New York, gives an accurate picture of that institution, of the human side of convict life, with its humour, its tragedies, its pathos and touching loyalty of a thousand men without women and

a thousand women without, who wait for their men to come out.

Despite privileges and conveniences enjoyed at no other jail, the prison houses men desperately hungry for the outside, for their wives and sweethearts men who are willing to risk their lives, though they haven't a chance in a million to be successful, to escape. The warden sits on a volcano of human passions, ready for such an outbreak that takes place in the picture.

The characters in the picture are portrayed by an exceptional cast which includes Spencer Tracy, Bette Davis, Arthur Byron, Lyle Talbot, Grant Mitchell, Warren Hymer, Louis Calhern, Edward J. McNamara and Sheila Terry. The picture was directed by Michael Curtiz with some of the scenes actually taken at Sing Sing and others in a replica of the prison at the Warner Bros.-First National Hollywood studios.

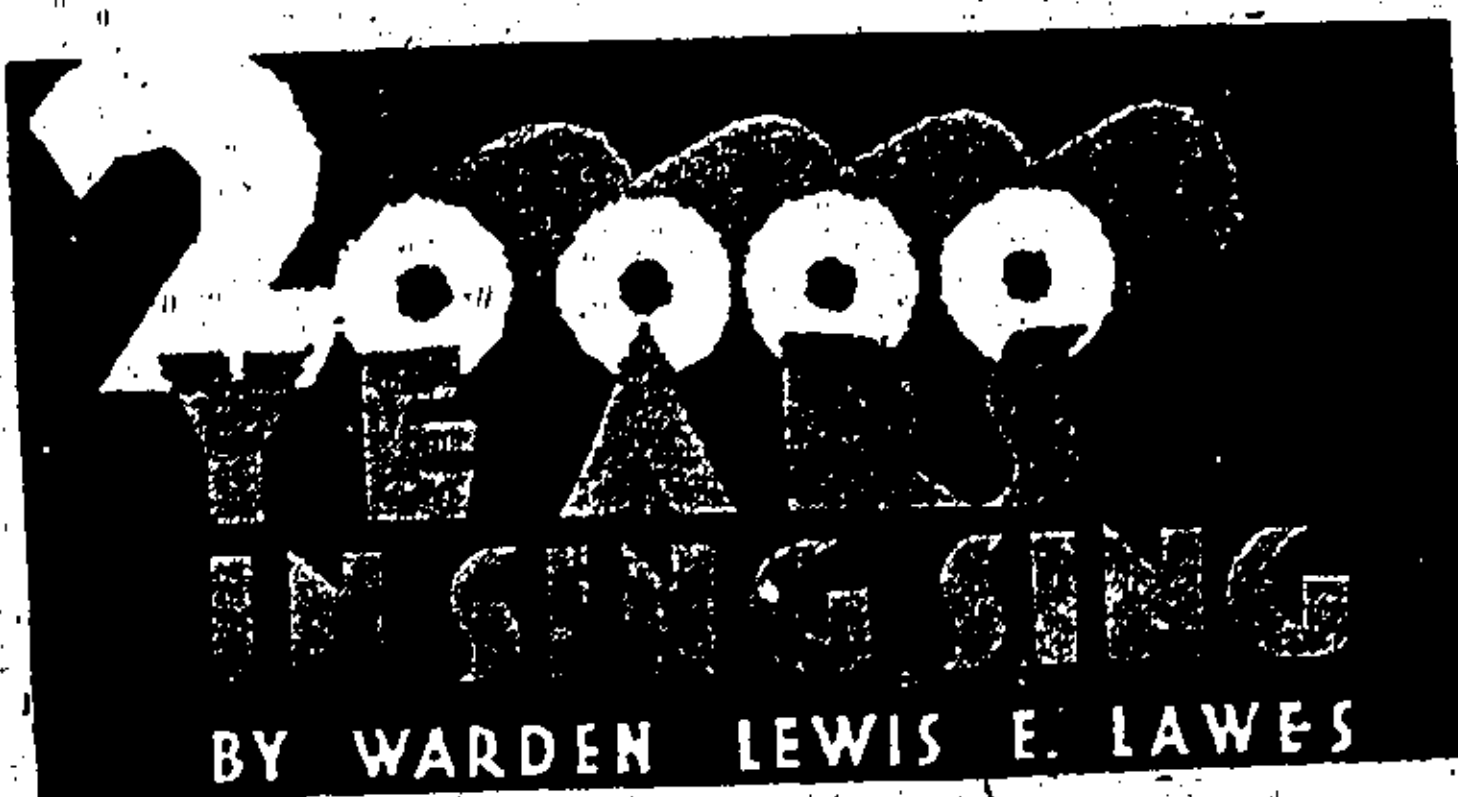
THE HEPBURN WAY

When Katharine Hepburn arrived by air liner in Miami, Florida, a few hours ago from Merida, Yucatan, people flocked round her asking her about her divorce.

She parried every question with such answers as, "Divorce! I don't know what you're talking about. I don't know anything about any divorce."

But the truth is that Katharine Hepburn was granted a divorce in Merida, and thus ended a marriage which took place in December, 1923, but was kept secret until last summer.

The husband was Mr. Ludlow Ogden Smith, a New York stockbroker, who has never been to Hollywood, and whose maxim was "I don't want to butt into my wife's business and I don't want her to butt into mine." He is 32 now. Katharine Hepburn is 25.

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TO-DAY ONLY**Metro's Thrilling Drama of the African Wilds!****"KONGO"**with **WALTER HUSTON—LUPE VELEZ**

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TO-DAY ONLY**She Knows All About Men Nothing About Love!****"WHARF ANGEL"**A Paramount Picture with **VICTOR MCGLAGLEN**
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TO-MORROW**A MAGNIFICENT NEW STAR IN A TRULY GREAT PICTURE****MARGARET SULLAVAN**in **"Only Yesterday"****ONLY YESTERDAY****At The Queen's And Alhambra**

The entire resources of Universal studios were thrown behind the production of "Only Yesterday," John M. Stahl's absorbing love drama which opens to-morrow at the Queen's and Alhambra Theatres.

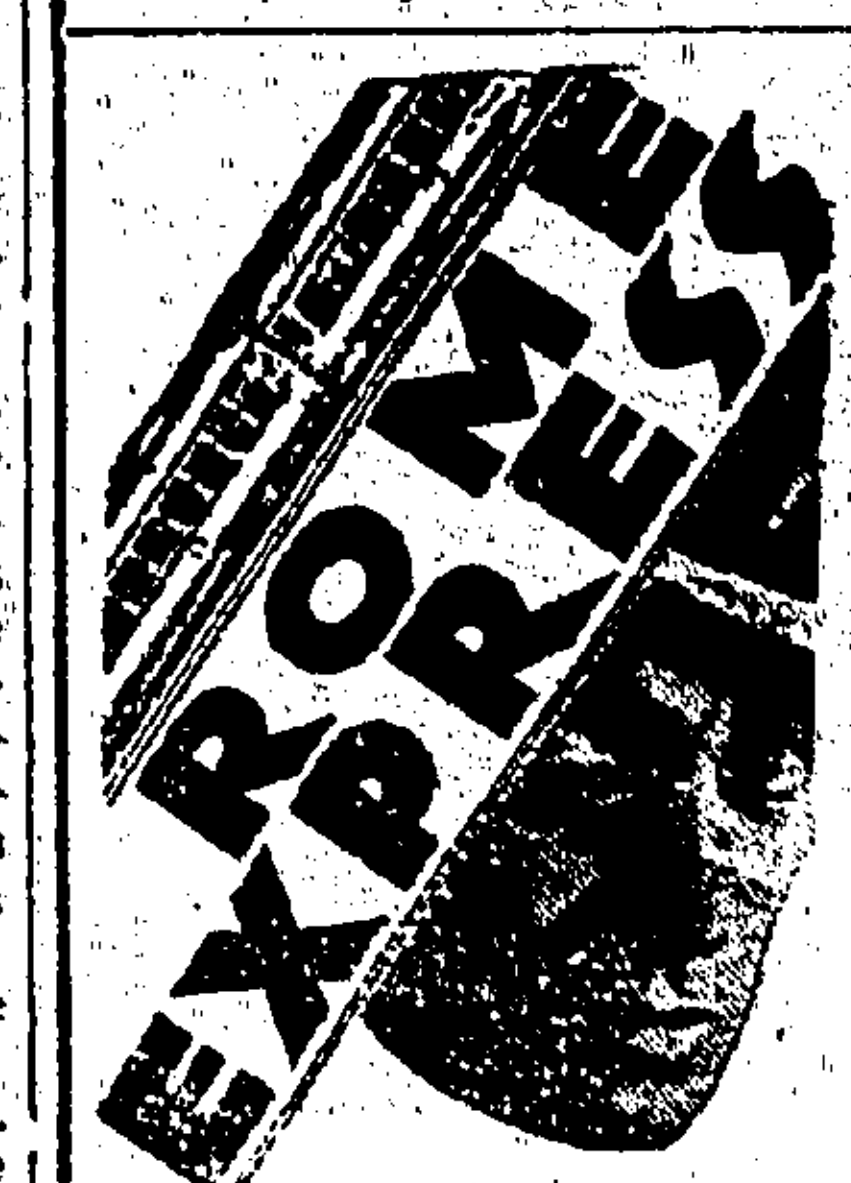
In that matter of cast alone, the picture enlisted the services of more than 90 well-known Hollywood players headed by Margaret Sullivan, John Boles, Billie Burke and Reginald Dehny, and including also Edna May Oliver, Franklin Pangborn, Marie Prevost, Robert McWade and actually scores of others, in addition to more than 4,500 extras.

More than three months were consumed in filming the picture which abounds in lavish scenes, including a gay New Year's Eve celebration at the St. Regis Hotel in New York, Wall Street on the day of the great market crash, the wild frenzy of Armistice Day, the parade of the first contingent of soldiers up Fifth Avenue on their return from France, a pretentious ball at a Virginia country club and a New York cocktail party in which there are more than 30 speaking parts.

In spite of his panoramic splendour, the story of "Only Yesterday" is continually centred on the tragic love story of Margaret Sullivan

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A quarter-mile of the African jungle was duplicated for the filming of "Kongo" which, with Walter Huston, in the featured role, comes to the Oriental Theatre on Sunday, Monday and Tuesday.

Through this jungle, roam savage blacks, bearing their war drums, lashing themselves to frenzy in preparation for an attack on the white trading post where Huston, Lupe Velez, Conrad Nagel, Virginia Bruce and other white members of the cast act out the principal scenes of this weird melodrama.

It is the same role that Huston played with great success on the New York stage.

Lupe Velez and Virginia Bruce are a pair of white girls held in domination by Huston in his scheme for revenge. Conrad Nagel is a derelict English doctor who goes "Native." C. Henry Gordon is Gregg, on whom "Deadlegs" Flint has vowed revenge, and Mitchell Lewis and Forrester Harvey play character roles.

Weird practices by which white men prey on the superstitions of the jungle blacks are shown. "Deadlegs" Flint is a master of the trick of magicians, which the natives believe to be true manifestations of black magic. Many of these scenes were taken at night, with flare torches for lighting—innovation in film photography. This added an eerie touch to the drama and resulted in some beautiful camera effects.

AMES FULLY RECOVERED
(Special Air-Mail Service)London, May 8.
Playing for a Kent country eleven, captained by Woolley, against a strong side drawn from he also kept wicket.**FOUR CHINESE GIRLS****In The "Wharf Angel"**

Four Chinese girls, selected to all roles in Paramount's "Wharf Angel," which is showing at the Alhambra Theatre, "went to school" recently to learn about their native land. Their "classes" were held between scenes at the studios with Victor McLaglen, globe-trotting actor, featured in the picture, as their instructor.

The girls are all American-born daughters of four Los Angeles Chinese merchants. McLaglen, whose travels have taken him twice around the world, and who has spent much time in China, discovered that the dainty Oriental misses appearing with him never had seen their home land. He regaled them with tales of his own adventures there.

The result was that he found all of his between-scene time demanded by the four, Shirley Louie, Jennie Lee, Florence Ho and Lois Tsunida.

Dorothy Dell, Broadway stage beauty, makes her screen debut as the leading lady of this place, while Preston Foster and Alison Skipworth are also featured.

The picture was directed by William Cameron Menzies and George Somnes and tells the dramatic story of a girl and a boy, both derelicts in Frisco's rip-roaring Barbary Coast, who fall in love.



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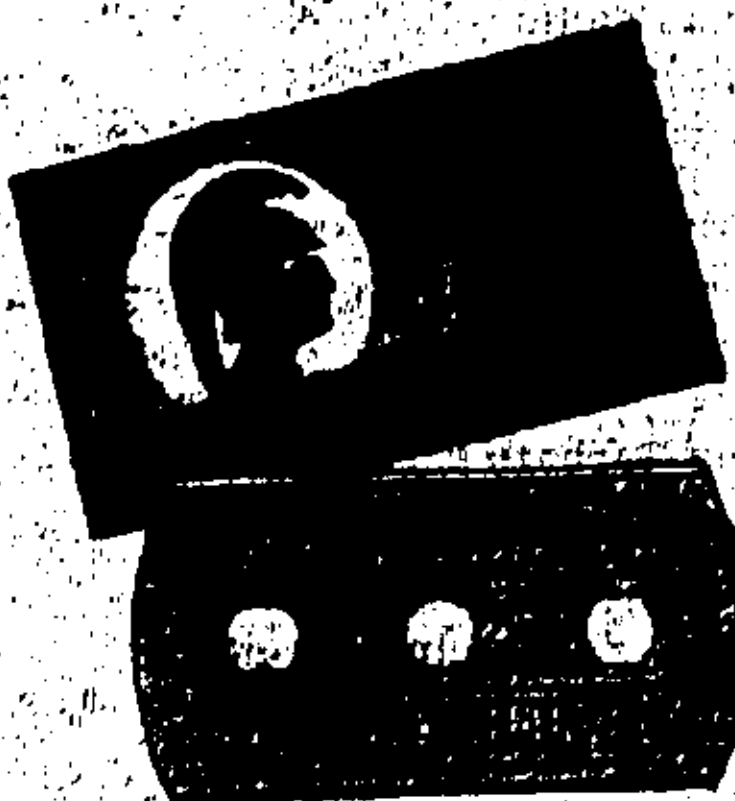
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Around the Courts

ALLEGED LONG FIRM FRAUD.

Case To Conclude on Monday.

The hearing of the evidence for the defence was completed yesterday at the Criminal Sessions held by the Chief Justice. His Honour, Mr. A. D. A. MacGregor, in which José Lizarraga of Manila, Wong Sau Mo of Shanghai and Nicholas Levitski, a Russian, are charged with conspiracy to defraud persons by pretending that they were carrying on a genuine business as the Standard Products Company. There were twelve charges of obtaining credit and goods by false pretences.

Lizarraga in the course of his evidence yesterday said that he was manager of the company but that he was only an employee of a man named Li Shan Chee, who, as far as Lizarraga knew, lived at 80 Jordan Road.

The defendant was cross-examined at great length by Mr. Fraser who took him over the various transactions mentioned in his charge. When Mr. Fraser had completed his questions, the Chief Justice asked: You have been selling brandy for some time?

Defendant: Yes.
His Lordship: Have you a license.
Defendant: As far as I know there was no need for license because these brandy were taken from bond.

Had you any license to deal in brandy from the Import and Export Office?—No, but I understood Li Shan Chee made application for one.

On behalf of the Standard Store?—Yes.

The second defendant in the course of his evidence stated that he was getting a salary of \$75 a month. With regard to the tickets for Canton, he said that he was to have proceeded there with a friend in connection with the engaging of a Comproder. He did not know where his friend was now.

The third defendant said that he met Lizarraga at Macao and that he asked for a job. He came to Hong Kong on February 16 or 17. He was employed by the firm at \$200 a month.

His Lordship: Why did you go to Rels Massey's to get the Ovaline?—I was ordered to do so by the Manager.

Answering a question by Mr. Fraser, witness said that he had known the first defendant in Shanghai, but not in Tientsin or Peking.

His Lordship intimated that as Lizarraga desired to address the jury and as Mr. Fraser will also do the same, he thought perhaps the best course was to adjourn until Monday morning.

IMPEDING TRAFFIC

Several Chinese motor car drivers were summoned before Mr. Wynne-Jones at Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday for parking their cars at bus-stops. Inspector Saunders told his Worship that some car drivers in Kowloon had an annoying habit of parking their cars in such a way, with the result that the buses had to draw up in the middle of the road.

His Worship imposed a caution in each case, stating that a fine would be inflicted in future.

A similar warning was given in the case, in which several bus drivers were summoned for failing to draw up to the left of the road, this impeding motor traffic.

CARELESS DRIVING

Miss Lois Fearon was fined \$15 by Mr. Wynne-Jones at Kowloon Magistrate's Court yesterday on a summons against her for driving her car, No. 2774 at the junction of Cameron Road and Nathan Road at 8.15 p.m. on May 5 without due care and caution. Miss Fearon admitted the offence.

Traffic Inspector Saunders stated that Li Yuk-lam, a building contractor, was driving his small Ford saloon car along Nathan Road when suddenly Miss Fearon shot out from Cameron Road and crashed into his car. Inspector Saunders was summoned to the scene, and on examining the skid marks on the road, he found them to bear out Mr. Li's story of the accident.

Mr. Li stated that repairs to his car cost \$50.

His Worship told complainant to write to Miss Fearon officially with regard to the question of damages.

MARINE COURT CASES

Had Nothing Else To Do!

Before Commander Hole at the Marine Court yesterday morning, three Chinese named Shum Hung 27, Lam Kwong Chuen 31, and Cheng Wing Sin, all described as hawkers and coolies, were charged with boarding the s.s. Yan Heutaz last Wednesday morning, without the permission of the master or the officer-on-duty.

All the defendants pleaded guilty, saying that they boarded the steamer for hawking as they had nothing else to do.

A fine of \$10, or one week hard labour was imposed on each of the defendants.

Defacing Number of Boat

For unlawfully defacing the official number of his boat without the permission of the Harbour Master, Ng Ma Luk 59, master of Boat No. 1394V, was fined \$20 or in default two weeks' hard labour.

Dredging Without Permission

A fine of \$10 or one week's hard labour was imposed on Chan Liu, 50, master of Boat No. 3407, who was charged with using grappling irons or other means for the purpose of lifting articles from the bed of the sea near the Hong Kong Royal Naval Anchorage, without the permission of the Harbour Master last Wednesday afternoon.

Loiterer Fined

Chan Ping 30, mistress of Boat No. 3401, who was charged with loitering within 100 yards of the North Wall of the Naval Camber last Wednesday morning, was fined \$10 or in default, one week's hard labour.

Disobeying Police Orders

A charge of mooring their boats in Causeway Bay without the written permission of Harbour Master was preferred against two Chinese boat women named Mak Kwai Mui 41, mistress of Boat No. B1075V and Leung Shau, of Boat No. 1687V.

The second defendant Leung Shau was also charged with failing to stop her boat when called upon by the Water Police. Both defendants pleaded guilty, and the Magistrate imposed a fine of \$3 or three days' hard labour on the first charge of each of the defendants and in addition he also fined the second defendant \$10 or one week for the second count.

For the theft of a quantity of printing lead from the "Kung Sheung Yat Po," Mak Shu Kau, aged 26, was fined \$10 or, in default, two weeks' hard labour by Mr. Macfadyen at Central Magistrate's Court yesterday. It was stated that a printer who was preparing his mould for the Press, saw the theft committed.

Sentence of one year's hard labour was imposed by Mr. Hamilton at Central Magistrate's Court yesterday on Tang Kam Oi, 30, a woman, for returning to the Colony after having been banished in 1927 for ten years for trafficking in women and girls.

REASONABLE EXPLANATIONS

Before Mr. Hamilton at Central Magistrate's Court yesterday, several motor car drivers were summoned for various traffic offences.

T. M. V. Deva, driver of private car No. 3090, was cautioned off two summonses for not having full control of his car in Queen's Road East, and, for not being accompanied by a licensed driver while being the possessor of a learner's license only.

Traffic Sergeant Clark said defendant was driving a small two-seater car, and there were three grown-up people in it. The man who was seated next to defendant had an expired license.

Explaining the circumstances, Deva said the supposed licensed driver who accompanied him had been driving cars almost daily, and was a friend of some means and status. He accordingly suspected nothing against him, and asked him to accompany him. He asked for his license, and when it was produced, did not scrutinize it, as he did not doubt it.

On the question of not having full control, Deva said that one of his friends was seated in the back seat, but it came on to rain, and he had to accommodate him in front.

Mr. Hamilton accepted the explanations as quite reasonable, and

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YOUR VIEWS AND MINE!

A Weekly Column of
Local Gossip

By "The Scout"

THE FOOD WE EAT.

The question raised by Dr. Li Shu Fan at the Sanitary Board is one which undoubtedly attracted the attention of all newspaper readers during the week. It is, I am sure, admitted on all sides, that the control by the authorities over the sale of food should be tightened. The one thing that strikes me is that more attention might be paid to the work of educating the buyers of obviously unhealthy food to see the danger to which they expose themselves. In addition to controlling the sale of roast pork, fowls and meat, the authorities might also well consider the hundred and one little knick-knacks that goes to make up the dietary of the poor-class Chinese, which can be obtained from a grocer's. Here is something the authorities might look into.

ALEKHINE'S CHESS.

In conversation with a chess enthusiast the other day, we came to talking about the struggle for the world's chess championship between Dr. Alekhine and Buglujubow. One of the telegrams describing the seventeenth match said that "Buglujubow made a serious mistake at the start," which Alekhine exploited mercilessly. When Alekhine gave a series of exhibition games in Hong Kong recently, it will be recalled that he played blindfolded simultaneously against ten tables, each consisting of four local players and won all the ten games. In another exhibition in which he played against some forty players, he mated one of them in seven moves! Little wonder that when even a master player like Buglujubow makes a mistake that Alekhine can "exploit him mercilessly." The visit of Dr. Alekhine to Hong Kong has rendered the fate of the present chess championship tournament interesting to Hong Kong chess players.

JUNK PIRACIES.

The report of a junk piracy off the Lamma Islands on Saturday last brings to mind that while the combined vigilance and unrelenting campaign of the British and Chinese authorities have reduced piracy on steamers, the danger of piracy which the trading junks in this part of the Coast have to contend with has not been very materially lessened. Those who care to read the early history of the Colony, and who would take the trouble to go back to the period when the Portuguese first arrived in Macao will learn that piracy has been a common occurrence on these shores from time immemorial and that at one period the pirates controlled the seas here. As a matter of fact Hong Kong itself, prior to its being ceded to Britain was a pirates' stronghold and even after Hong Kong became British, pirates found a safe refuge on the mainland of Kowloon from which they essayed from time to time to plunder the unwary junks carrying cargo to Hong Kong!

A GOOD IDEA.

I see that the authorities have planted saplings all round the big playground at Wanchai. In a couple of years these trees will afford a very valuable shade and will also relieve the site of its barren appearance. A suggestion I would like to make is that the Playground authorities consider some method whereby the dust now raised on the playground might be reduced. I am told a certain type of red earth if padded over the surface of the ground would have the desired effect. During the hot summer evenings when the ground is literally covered with young and old, the dust raised is considerable and if anything could be done to abate it, it should be done without delay.

THE PUSH "BIKE"

It is interesting to read the news received from Canton during the week that there are over 5,000 push bicycles in that city and that, with the exception of a very small percentage, they were all of British manufacture. In Hong Kong in spite of the growth of motor traffic, the bicycle appears to be growing in popularity, and whereas some ten years ago there were only two bicycle shops in Wanchai to-day there must be dozens. It will be interesting to know how the British bicycle is faring here. From the fact that a new machine can be procured at a little over \$20, the indications are that Japanese manufactured "bikes" are being sold here side by side with the British article.

SWIMMING RECORDS.

The breaking of a world's swimming record in Hong Kong albeit by visitors passing through, is an event that will go down in the Colony as an outstanding achievement. The fame of the Japanese aquatic stars had come before them and on Wednesday last there was not even standing room at the V.R.C. where a large number had to be turned away disappointed. The exhibition at the "V" was on a much smaller scale but owing to the fact that an attack on the world records was being staged, practically all swimming enthusiasts in the Colony were present. Good as the Japanese were, they fell far short of the times registered by Johnny Weismüller, the fastest aquatic sprinter the world has ever seen. Titled "The Fastest Aquatic," Weismüller on the screen, for he appeared in the main rôle in the "Tarzan" series of pictures.

WATER LEVELS

For West, North And
East Rivers

The River Conservancy Commission for Kwangtung Province notifies that the height of water in English feet in the West, North and East Rivers is as follows:—

	May 23	May 24
West River at Shih-hing	5.4	5.9
North River at Tsingyuen	10.0	—
North River at Samahul	2.9	—
East River at Sheklung	1.1	0.9

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AT ANNUAL MEETING OF UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY

Hon. Mr. Gordon Mackie's Exhaustive Review Of Past Year's Work

The annual general meeting of the Union Insurance Society of Canton Limited, was held yesterday at the registered offices of the Company, when the Chairman of the Board of Directors, the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie, in his speech made references to the difficult times the Society passed through owing to exchange fluctuations and abnormal conditions in World affairs, both economically and politically.

The following Directors were present, Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Mr. G. M. Mackie, Mr. K. S. Morrison, and Mr. D. O. Russell and Mr. A. W. Hughes (General Manager).

Shareholders present were: Messrs. J. W. Alabaster, G. S. Archbutt, J. D. Butcher, N. V. A. Croucher, B. M. C. da Cunha, J. D. Danby, R. A. Dastur, H. B. L. Dowbiggin, O.B.E., John Fleming, H. C. Gray, J. H. Hance, J. Scott Harston, Ho Kom Tong, O.B.E., C. C. Knight, J. H. Little, Lo Cheung Shiu, J. L. McPherson, G. C. Moxon, J. Ormiston, V. R. V. Ribeiro, R. Sander, W. F. Simmons, M. A. R. Souza, F. W. Stapleton, A. Steynson, E. L. Stewart, H. Summers, M. H. Turner, H. C. B. Way.

Mr. Scott Harston's Speech

The Hon. Mr. C. G. Mackie, in his speech said, "Gentlemen, it is a matter of great regret that one of your Directors Mr. J. P. Warren is not with us to-day. Quite recently Mr. Warren was stricken with a serious illness and it was necessary for him to proceed home for medical care."

I am sure you will join me in an expression of sympathy with Mr. Warren and in the hope that we shall hear soon of his permanent recovery.

I will now place before you a short review of the progress made by your Society during 1933, and of certain important conditions relative thereto.

In the latter part of the year your Directors were advised of the desire of the General Manager, Mr. Paul Lauder, to be relieved from his duties early in 1934.

Mr. Lauder brought to the attention of the Board the fact that he came to the East in 1900 and that the intervening years had taken their toll upon his health. Having in mind the great strain Mr. Lauder had been under in the difficult years of his general management of the Society, the Directors, with great reluctance, agreed to accept Mr. Lauder's resignation as from the 24th February 1934.

These are the bare facts of the position, but it would not be right of me to allow such an occasion to pass without conveying briefly to you an impression of the value of Mr. Lauder's work to the Society during his 34 years' service.

Mr. Lauder first came to the Far East for the "China Traders", and served with that Company until 1906, when the Company became affiliated with the Society. Thereafter he passed through the various ranks of the Service, until in 1919 he was appointed to the head office staff. The very able manner in which he carried out the duties there assigned to him were recognized by the Board, and upon the retirement of the General Manager in 1924, Mr. Lauder was appointed to fill the position.

The political and economic difficulties that have prevailed since that year are very well known to you, and you are aware also that insurance companies in common with commercial institutions of all classes experienced, during that time, possibly the most difficult period of operation in their history. Meeting and overcoming the difficulties that arose called for exceptional qualities of professional skill and courage, and I have no hesitation in saying that the sound condition of the Society to-day is an outstanding testimony to the manner in which Mr. Lauder met these requirements. I am sure you will join with your Directors in an expression of deep appreciation for the valuable service rendered by Mr. Lauder to the Society, and in wishing him many years of happy retirement.

After careful deliberation your Board appointed Mr. A. W. Hughes to succeed Mr. Lauder.

Mr. Hughes has been in the Society's service for the past 14 years, prior to which he had spent 13 years in insurance. Since joining the Society Mr. Hughes has occupied the position of Branch Manager at some of our most important branches, and last year made an extended inspection of the Society's interests in London, the United States, and Africa. It is the opinion of your Directors that Mr. Hughes is qualified in every respect to carry out successfully the exacting duties of General Manager of your Society.

At our last meeting reference was made to the pending retirement of Mr. C. M. G. Burnie.

Mr. Burnie has since retired, and has been succeeded by Mr. G. G. Franklin, who has had many years experience as Branch Manager at Singapore and elsewhere.

Mr. E. H. Hutchison the Branch Manager of our affiliated company, the Yangtze Insurance Association, at Seattle, also retired during the year. Mr. Hutchison was with the "Yangtze" for over 30 years, and his services during that period are very much appreciated.

Commodity Value Low. In reviewing events pertinent to the business of Insurance during the past year I am confronted with many factors.

World affairs, economically and politically, were in an abnormal condition, and the difficulties of controlling an international business, influenced very largely by such conditions, in no way diminished when compared with preceding years. Exchange fluctuations were wide, and insurable values were seriously affected thereby. Furthermore, commodity values remained at a low level in terms of their own currencies which further affected adversely the amount of insurance business available.

In the Marine field Hull values, did not, I think, decrease to a large extent as compared with the previous year in terms of their market price, but the necessity for economy that all owners were under, forced them to find the most economical means of obtaining insurance protection. In many cases, I fear, the amount of such protection was not all that prudent owners under normal circumstances would desire.

It is pleasing however, to be able to report some improvement in the volume of hull business towards the end of the year as, after a lengthy period of idleness, a number of vessels were again put into commission.

Early in the year the London Hull underwriting market was disorganized by the abandonment of the stabilizing "respect the lead" Agreement, and a serious reduction in insured values and rates resulted. The Agreement difficulties were overcome to some extent later in the year, and a modified form of agreement reached; the market as a whole then settled down to conditions slightly more stable.

The comparatively sparse movement of cargo and its low value were responsible for increased competition in the matter of its insurance, and rates lower even than those current in 1932 had to be met. The loss experience of the market during 1933 does not give great encouragement to the hope for ultimate profit, but present indications are that the experience of the Society should not prove unfavourable when the final figures are available.

That accidents at sea still occur is evidenced by the total losses that took place during the past year. Among these were the—

L'Atlantique	42,512 tons
Cities Service Petrol	9,343 tons
Nicolas Parquet	8,517 tons
Gullford Castle	8,000 tons
Taronga	6,732 tons
Shidzioka Maru	6,270 tons
Coldwater	5,110 tons
Santiago	4,574 tons
Mina E. Tricoglu	4,273 tons
Exeter City	2,929 tons

Heavy Losses At Sea. All of the above and the valuable cargoes they carried were totally

lost through perils of the sea. In addition there were a number of smaller steamers lost, including the "Saxilby", abandoned in the Atlantic, "Mariland" and "Fernmoor" wrecked at Newfoundland, and the "Haler" wrecked at Paternoster Point.

I have set out this rather formidable list as I feel that the recognized short memory of the public, added to lack of prominence given to such matters, inclines a number of people to the thought that present day inventive genius has practically eliminated serious losses at sea; and that Marine Insurance must be an extremely profitable venture for those engaged in it.

If you will endeavour to visualize the vast sum of money that Underwriters have had to contribute in paying for the above losses, and add to that, contributions for the many accidents that do not involve total loss, I think you will realize that Underwriting to be carried to a profitable conclusion to-day requires a very high degree of skill. Even under favourable circumstances the margin of profit is so small that one can only view with alarm the present insistent demands for wider policy protection and reduction in rates.

In the Fire and Accident fields the decrease in insurable values prevailed also, and this decrease spurred Insurance Companies the world over to greater competitive activity; with resultant increase in expense of operation and decrease in income.

Fire losses in the United Kingdom last year were somewhat greater than in the previous year. In the United States and Canada losses have shown a welcome decline, and, although there was a fall in the amount of Premium written, the decrease in losses was comparatively greater.

You will readily appreciate that in the face of falling income and the necessity for meeting competitive rates, a continuation of favourable results is more than ever dependent on a satisfactory loss experience.

In your consideration of our Accounts I am sure you will have found much that gives cause for satisfaction.

The total net Underwriting Income from all Departments was £1,611,398, 17s. 10d. which although 8.1% less than last year is as satisfactory as present day conditions permit.

In the Marine Account the amount carried to Profit and Loss on the 1933 Account is £256,884, 14s. 4d. or 6.27% of the premium against £271,474, 6s. 2d. or 7.79% last year.

Claims paid on account of 1933 were £216,708, 3s. 0d. or 74.1% of the year's premium against £239,815, 17s. 0d. or 32.09% for 1932. This is satisfactory for first year settlements.

The Fire Department profit carried to Profit and Loss Account after providing for all known outstanding losses and setting up necessary reserves, amounts to £51,430, 11s. 0d. or 8.45% as compared with £5,181, 11s. 0d. or 83% the previous year.

Claims paid and outstanding show a considerable decrease being 47.03% of the premium as against 55.32% in 1932, consequently the account closes with a much improved result.

Reference was made from this chair last year to certain classes of our Fire business which had not given satisfactory results. I am pleased now to be able to

state that steps taken to improve the position have brought a change for the better in each instance.

The Fire Insurance Fund at the end of the year including additional Reserve amounts to £7,52% of our Premium Income as compared with 57.01% in the previous year.

Accident and General business again shows a satisfactory result. The Premium Income declined by some £12,000, but this class of business is subject not only to intense competitive conditions but also to fluctuations caused by variations in the demand for cover for extraneous perils such as War Risk, Earthquake Shock etc.

Claims paid and outstanding were 43.51% of the premium as against 48.34% the previous year with the result that the profit on the account, carried to Profit and Loss, after providing for all known outstanding losses and setting up necessary reserves, was £32,577, 14s. 0d. as against £23,178, 13s. 11d. the previous year.

The Accident and General Fund including additional Reserve at the end of the year was 62.75% of the Premium Income as against 61.49% the previous year.

Favourable Exchange

In my analysis of each Account I have made no mention of expenses. This omission is made with intent, as the Incident of Exchange in this connection was unusually favourable to the Society during 1933. Our total expenses were £395,897, 18s. as compared with £428,033, 11s. in 1932. While the steps we have taken to economize have shown very helpful results, it will be obvious to you that our annual expense could not show a reduction of approximately £32,000 when expressed in sterling, had not Exchange an important bearing on the result. The figure will, however, give you some indication of the effect that Exchange has on a world wide business during abnormal financial times.

In the Profit and Loss Account you will notice the decrease in "Interest and Dividends earned" when compared with last year. The decrease is due to the greatly reduced earning power of money in high class securities plus the effect of Exchange in expressing foreign currencies in sterling. These are conditions to which practically every investment portfolio, that includes foreign holdings, is subject to to-day. You are aware that it has been the Society's practice to pay the major proportion of its Annual Dividend from Interest Earnings. This year such earnings fell short of the required amount by almost £87,000. Your Directors realize the importance of this disparity but consider that it is in the interests of the Shareholders at this time to maintain the dividend. You will appreciate however, that, falling an improvement in Interest Earnings, a continuance of this policy must depend largely upon satisfactory Underwriting results.

Prospects Bright

Throughout these remarks I have been under the necessity of referring constantly to such depressing subjects as reductions in values, income and rates, to say nothing of adverse Exchange conditions and so forth. There is, however, another side to the picture.

It is pleasing to be able to inform you that Reports received from a number of our Branches during the last month or six weeks, refer in encouraging terms to the economic outlook for the immediate future in the respective Territories. The reference in each case is, of course, to local conditions but, as the number of centres from which these cheering Reports arise is quite high, it is not outside the bounds of reason to hope that the localized condition to which each refers will grow to the point where it overflows and becomes international in scope.

I may say this is the first time for a number of years that we have noted in even a small percentage of Reports encouragement such as is indicated this year.

In concluding these remarks I desire to refer as in previous years to the benefit that accrues to the Society through the endeavours of its Staff being supported by Shareholders.

I would specially appeal to all Shareholders of the Society not only to support the Society with their own business but also to endeavour to influence business in its direction. I cannot sufficiently emphasize that Insurance so influenced, however small it may seem to individual Shareholders, aids in building our business and in permitting

a continuance of satisfactory Annual Statements.

With these remarks I beg to propose the adoption of the Report, Revenue Accounts and Balance Sheet as presented.

SECONDER'S SPEECH

Mr. J. Scott Harston, in seconding the adoption of the Report and Accounts said:—

Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen, it is with great pleasure that I rise to second the proposal made by the Chairman that the Report, Revenue Account and Balance Sheet of the Society as presented to this Meeting be adopted.

We are all aware of the economic difficulties which business concerns of every type have had to face during the past few years, and consequently fully appreciate that the effect of such difficulties must necessarily be reflected in the results shown by the operations of such a business as that of an Insurance Company, particularly so in the case of one which includes in its undertaking, as does this Society, that of Marine Insurance. If we were not so aware, the various matters mentioned in your Speech Mr. Chairman—upon which I desire to take this opportunity of congratulating you—should be sufficient to bring these difficulties home to our minds.

In the circumstances which you Sir, have so clearly stated it must be very gratifying to the Society's Shareholders—as it certainly is to myself—to find that our Society has stood the strain so well, not only in its Underwriting, but also in the matter of its investments.

This sad but very impressive list of ocean casualties which you have dealt with in your Speech serves as a reminder, perhaps not ill timed, that to obtain profits from Marine Insurance to-day is a far from easy task, and I am sure that all shareholders will join me in expressing not only gratification at, but also appreciation of the skill in that relation displayed by our General Manager, our London Underwriter, and our various Branch Managers.

That the Society has been enabled, by means of that skill to carry again a substantial amount to its Profit and Loss Account is indeed satisfactory. The improvement in this year's Fire Account is also a matter for congratulation and the assurance we have received regarding the successful outcome of the adjustments made in the Fire Underwriting after the 1932 experience would seem to justify the hope that future Underwriting will continue to produce good results.

To anyone conversant with current financial affairs it should not be surprising that the Society's Board of Directors have deemed it prudent to intimate that the future maintenance of the present rate of the Society's dividends must be dependent upon improved Interest Earnings and a continuance of profitable Underwriting. I trust, however, that the encouraging reports received from a number of the Society's Branches (referred to by the Chairman) regarding future economic conditions in their respective areas may prove to be well founded, and that the termination of the Society's current financial year will show an improvement over 1933, particularly in regard to Interest Earnings.

Mr. Paul Lauder

I now wish to make reference to the retirement from the Society's service of its late General Manager Mr. Paul Lauder.

You, Mr. Chairman, have already referred in epilogistic—but, in my view, by no means too eulogistic—terms, to the value of Mr. Lauder's services during the lengthy period of his association with the Society, and I would fain add my own tribute to that which you have so deftly paid.

Ten years ago almost to the very day—to be precise on the 16th May 1924—I had the pleasure (in seconding the resolution for the adoption of the Society's Report and Accounts as then presented) of addressing Shareholders upon the subject of the retirement of Mr. C. Montague Ede who had filled the position of General Manager for a period of approximately seventeen years, and in doing so, I added a few words of welcome to Mr. Lauder, as his successor. In that connection I stated that although I had not known Mr. Lauder so long or so intimately as Mr. Ede, I had been brought into sufficient contact with him to be made aware that he was a gentle-

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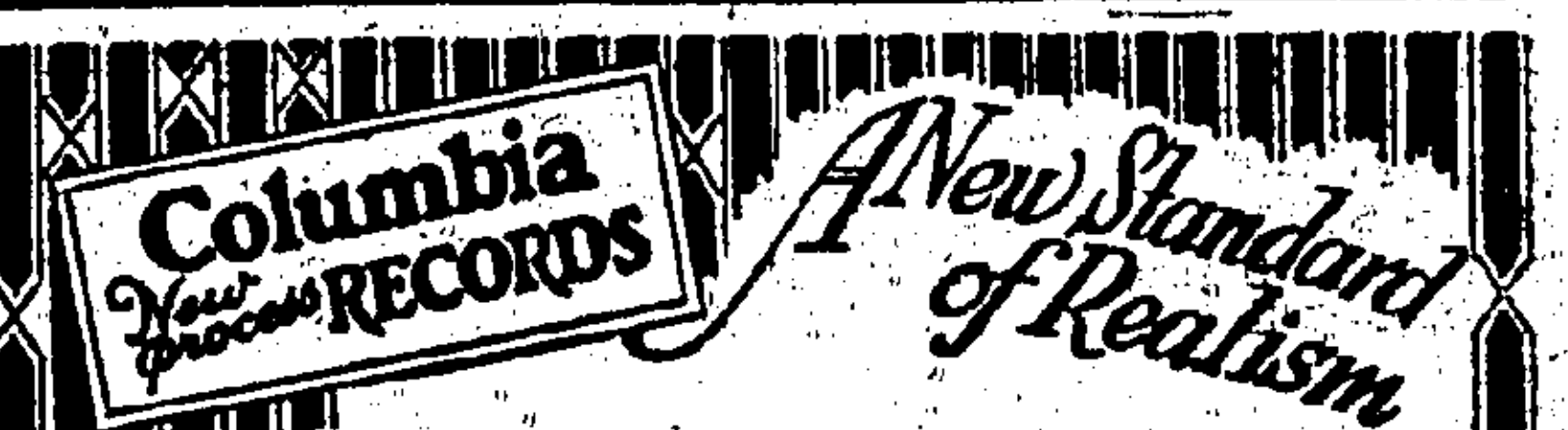
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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be closed from May 21st, 1934, to May 28th, 1934 inclusive.
By Order of the Board,
J. F. SHEA,
Secretary.
Hong Kong, 14 May, 1934 [2548]

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The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from 2nd MAY, 1934, to 9th JUNE, 1934, both days inclusive.
By Order of the Board of Directors,
A. W. BROWN,
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Notice is also hereby given that the Singapore Transfer Registers will be closed from Saturday, 9th June, to Friday, 15th June, 1934 (both days inclusive), for the preparation of Dividend Warrants.

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WHY NOT FILM EPICS?

The successful libel suit instituted in an English court by a Russian princess against an American company which had made a picture concerned with certain events in the Bolshevik Revolution has checked the enthusiasm of Hollywood and Elstree for making films of historical subjects. So it has been suggested that either Elstree or Hollywood, or both, might do well to turn their manifold resources and abilities to making a gigantic film of the "Odyssey," which, if all else failed, could at least be released as the world's champion travelogue.

The story of Odysseus, his long wanderings after the fall of Troy, his adventures with giants and sirens, and animals that change their shapes—all these things are the very stuff of which films are made. But the idea might be further extended into a general recommendation. The screen might find the world's epic as a whole a veritable gold mine (literally and figuratively) of material for cinema entertainment. The films have gone for much of their subject matter to novels and plays, and neither form of art has shown itself particularly suitable for this type of treatment. But in two respects the epic in general is strikingly fitted to be translated to the screen.

In the first place, the strength of the screen is its capacity for displaying wide and varied scenery. Puck could put a globe round the earth in forty minutes—the film can do it in forty seconds, traveling from the slums of the Bowery to the hanging gardens of Babylon in the twinkling of an eye. More than any other kind of story, the epic would give scope for exploitation of this unique power to the full.

Then size, magnificence and grandeur are qualities which the screen finds itself peculiarly fitted to express. And these are par excellence the typical qualities of the epic. All the great epics belong to the comparatively distant past. The cinema would be performing a function of the highest cultural value if it were to do for to-day what the epic did for the generations of yore.

THE CANCER CAMPAIGN

Further Donations Received

The Treasurer of the British Empire Cancer Research Fund Campaign Sir William Shenton, has great pleasure in acknowledging the receipt of the following further donations to the above Fund:

Mr. V. M. Grayburn	\$200.00
Mr. M. S. Hodjash, Canton	15.00
The Master of S.S. Havdrot	10.00
Mrs. G. C. Pelham	30.00
The Very Rev. A. Swann, M.A., D.S.C.	25.00
Total	\$280.00

EXPEDITION TO THE ARCTIC

Ten Englishmen Start

London, May 24.
An Arctic Expedition, led by Mr. J. M. Wordie, of St. John's College, Cambridge, and consisting of ten Englishmen, all of whom have had experience in similar expeditions, left Aberdeen to-day in the Norwegian sealer "Heimen," a small vessel of 120 tons gross, with an auxiliary motor.

The Expedition which is a private venture, will follow in the tracks of Sir John Franklin, the famous explorer, and its main aim will be to make geological and other collections, and to map the coastline of the Canadian Arctic Islands.

Exploration will be done almost entirely from the ship or in the pack ice.

The party are heading first for Disko Island in North-West Greenland. Later, the unknown interior of Ellesmere Island will be explored and an attempt to reach Melville Island will also be made.

Permission has been received to make collections in the Canadian Arctic Preserve, within which lies most of the region which it is hoped to explore.

The party includes Dr. Longstaff, who has travelled widely in Greenland, Mr. Dalgety, one of the late Mr. H. G. Watkins' colleagues on Edge Islands, Sir John

DR. C. T. WANG

Guest of the Euro-American Union

INSPIRING SPEECH TO COMPATRIOTS

The members of the Euro-American Returned Students' Union yesterday gave a dinner in the Hong Kong Hotel Roof Garden to Dr. C. T. Wang, head of the Chinese Athletic Delegation to the recent Far Eastern Olympic Games at Manila. Dr. Wang is on his return journey to Nanking.

Mr. Hin Shing Lo, who presided over the large gathering, welcomed both Dr. and Mrs. Wang. He said that Dr. Wang was one of the greatest "Returned Students" and his efforts on behalf of China was an example for all young men and women, who had had the advantage of an education abroad, to emulate.

As a politician, said Mr. Lo, Dr. Wang had done much for China, and when the history of modern China came to be written, it would not be complete without a chapter being devoted entirely to the work that Dr. Wang had done for his country.

Progress of China
Dr. Wang on rising to address the gathering was given a big ovation. He said he was glad to see the returned students gathered together. He hoped they would do so frequently and in this way make some contribution to the progress of China.

Everyone, said Dr. Wang, could contribute to the progress of mankind, but each one of us had our own little problem to solve. For most people in China, the bulk of one's time was spent in trying to make ends meet. Such people had very little chance of contributing anything towards the progress of the country. The speaker referred to Marconi's contribution to the world, pointing out that the radio and the wireless have been the means, not only of bringing happiness to the homes of many, but also of saving lives. China should solve her economical problem first and thus give her people more time and more leisure in which to devote their energies towards making a contribution to mankind.

The Euro-American returned students, said Dr. Wang, were the people who should set a lead to the country. They were expected to show the way to progress and he asked the gathering whether they were going to disappoint their less fortunate brethren? He was glad to see in the gathering, the right spirit for the upliftment of the progress of China. (Applause.)

Mr. Peter Sin in a brief speech thanked Dr. Wang on behalf of the Club for his inspiring address.
Dr. Arthur Woo made an appeal to those present to attend the concert at King's College to-night. He said a very good programme has been arranged and the funds collected would be for the British Empire Cancer Campaign.

BOUQUET FOR THE TEAM

In spite of the inclement weather and the early hours of the morning, a huge crowd gathered at the Kowloon Wharf yesterday to welcome the Chinese Olympic athletes and officials.

Mr. M.K. Lo, chairman of the Hong Kong Chinese Amateur Athletic Federation, headed the Chinese reception committee and Major C. M. Manners, O.B.E., represented the European community.

Representatives from the following Clubs and Institutions were present: Chung Shing Benevolent Society, Kowloon Ching Wu Club, Chung Nam Athletic Club, Chung Nam College, Chung Kwok College, Chi Hung Boys' and Girls' Colleges, Ling Tung Boys' and Girls' Colleges, Wu Ming College, Mui Fong Girls' College, Cheung Shing School, Chinese General Chamber of Commerce, Fishery Merchants' Society, Hong Kong Chinese Overseas Teachers' Society, and Ling Tung Overseas Chinese Mutual Society.

The band of the Chung Shing Benevolent Society played appropriate tunes as the President Jackson docketed, and a huge basket of flowers was presented to the Chinese athletes by Miss Mak Ying Hung.

Practically every official expressed gratification at the outcome of the games.

Hanham and H. P. Hanham, both of whom have had Arctic experience. This is the seventh Arctic voyage made by the "Leader" Mr. Wordie—British Wireless.

BRITISH GOLF

TITLE

Last Eight Decided

London, May 25.
The last eight in The British Amateur Golf Championship emerged on the results of the play at Prestwick to-day. They are paired as follows:—

Francis (Sunningdale) v. Wallace (Troon).
Dunlap (America) v. Walker (Delamere Forest).
Little (America) v. Brown (Sunningdale).
Garnett (Addington) v. Neal (Moor Park).

McLean, the Scottish and Irish champion, and the British hope, succumbed in the fifth round to Wallace, the artisan golfer and ship-plater from Glasgow. He is 32 years old and was runner-up in the Scottish championship in 1930.

Wallace had defeated McLean by one hole in a tense game. McLean afterwards complaining of the partisan attitude of the crowd who cheered his errors. McLean had defeated the American amateur champion Guildford in the fourth round.

Goodman, the American open champion, had a surprise defeat at the hands of Garnett, the wealthy Londoner, who won by three and one.

Goodman had a narrow escape in the fourth round when playing McCallum (Troon). McCallum was dormey two on the sixteenth, but Goodman succeeding in winning the next three to qualify for the fifth round.

The most interesting match, which included H.R.H. the Prince of Wales as a spectator, was that between George T. Dunlap, the American amateur title holder, and Roger Wethered, Wethered put up a great fight but was defeated on the last green, one down.

John Neal earned his entry into the quarter-finals when he defeated Martin-Smith, ex-holder, by four and three.

T. A. Bourn defeated another ex-holder, Dr. Tweedell at the seventeenth, 2 and 1, in the fifth round.—Reuter.

LADY PLAYER FAINTS

Two Incidents At Tennis

Autenil, May 24.
During the Franco-American ladies lawn tennis encounter, Miss Alice Marble, of the Wightman Cup team, collapsed in a dead faint. She was conveyed to hospital, but her condition is not serious.

Miss Marble was in the sixth game of the first set, leading 4-1 against Madame Henrotin when she fainted.

It is understood that Miss Marble had been indisposed for four or five days and took part in this match against the doctor's orders.

By a coincidence, in the next match, which was the doubles, Madame Henrotin fell and injured her knee and had to be carried off.

Both matches were abandoned.—Reuter.

BARING'S GOOD BOWLING

Beats Bradman

A sensational collapse of three Australian batsmen including Woodfull and Don Bradman in quick succession for only two runs was the feature of the match with Hampshire.

The three wickets were taken by the amateur fast bowler, Baring, who had first spell in the bowling and took 3 wickets for 6 runs.

In spite of the loss of their leading batsman, Australia put together 428 runs for 9 wickets.

Hampshire 420 (Tennison 56, McCabe 4 for 79, Fleetwood Smith 1 for 111, O'Reilly 3 for 123).

Australians 428 for 9 (McCabe 79, Darling 78, Chipperfield 115, not out, Woodfull 2, Brown 0, Bradman 0).—Reuter.

SHAKESPEARE'S

WORKS

Recital At King's

At extremely short notice, a very enjoyable recital from the works of Shakespeare was given at The King's Theatre yesterday morning by Mr. J. Grant Anderson, the London actor. The recital was arranged especially for school children, and the audience included groups from nearly every school in the colony.

All the well-known characters from Shakespeare—Shylock, Hamlet, Macbeth, Wolsey, etc.—were portrayed during the performance, the character study of Mark Antony delivering his famous oration being particularly well rendered and appreciated.

A feature of Mr. Anderson's performance was that he made-up for each character on the stage in full view of his audience, and with but a few deft touches of grease paint, aided by authentic costume, he became in a few moments transformed into the Shakespearean character he was to portray.

It will be remembered that Mr. Anderson, with his company, appeared at the King's Theatre early this year in two plays from their repertoire. It was hoped that further performances would be given on this his return visit but pressure of time and engagements has not made this possible. Mr. Grant Anderson, with his company, left for Singapore yesterday afternoon, and there is a possibility of their returning to the Far East in 1935.

CONTRACT BRIDGE

Semi-Final Results

The following are the results of the semi-finals of the Contract Bridge Tournament:—

Messrs. Judah and Polite beat Tucci and Green by 1,850 points in two sessions.

Messrs. Danenberg and Ozorio beat Mrs. Bradley and Mrs. Young, husband in the first session by 4,600 points. The second session will be played on Monday May 28, at 5.30 p.m.

Consolation Tournament

The following are the second round results:

Messrs. M. H. L. and H. Lo beat Mrs. Fordham and Capt. Marshall.

Messrs. P. N. da Silva and Barros beat M. K. Lo and M. W. Lo. Mrs. Warren and Mrs. Johnson beat H. B. Joseph and M. N. Rakussen.

Mrs. Williamson and Mrs. Bryan beat Mrs. Costa and Mr. Philip.

Mrs. Simon and Mrs. Tyson beat Mrs. Hayward and Mr. Raymond.

Messrs. Abessa and Chung v. Pei beat Dr. and Mrs. Valentine.

Messrs. Barry and Paterson beat Mrs. Keary and Mrs. Wellington.

Quarantine restrictions imposed against arrivals from Shanghai on account of small-pox have been removed.

There will be a Dinner Dance at Repulse Bay Hotel to-day, and a Tea Dance on Sunday, May 27th, at 4.30 p.m.

The Hon. Mr. J. G. Latham and members of the Australian Goodwill Mission who have been on a tour round China and Japan, arrived in the Colony by the s.s. Kitano Maru yesterday morning.

Among the passengers who arrived by the s.s. Chichibu Maru yesterday were Mr. J. D. Lloyd, the superintendent of the Imports and Export Department and Mrs. Lloyd.

Patrons of the Lee Theatre will be pleased to learn of the reduction in prices to all seats. Dress Circle, back and front stalls are now respectively 40 cents, 30 cents and 20 cents; children 20 cents to Dress Circle and back stalls.

Another victim of the gaswork explosion on May 15, succumbed to her injuries at the Government Civil Hospital. She is a young woman, 20 years of age, named Chan Sze. Her death brings the total fatalities to 39, and the number of those who have succumbed in the hospital to 25.

NEWS SUMMARY

The complete entries and handicaps for the sixth extra race meeting appear on Page 10

Dr. C. T. Wang, head of the Chinese delegation to the recent Far Eastern Olympic at Manila was entertained at the Roof Garden of the Hongkong Hotel last night. Page 8

The recent gas explosion was recalled at Central Magistracy yesterday when a fireman was sentenced to three months' hard labour for the theft of a quantity of jewellery while being engaged in clearing debris at No. 8 Clarence Terrace. Page 11

The wireless programmes for the week-end from ZBW (Hong Kong) KZRM (Manila) Daventry and Berlin, will be found on Page 4

The Diary of Coming Events in this issue will be found on Page 3

Shanghai's new Gas Works, claimed to be the most modern in the world, was thrown open for inspection last week. An account of the proceeding is given on Page 3

Yesterday's activities on the Share and Exchange markets form the subject of much comment in our Money and Markets section. Page 13

The new building of the Tung Wah Hospital was officially opened by H.E. the Governor yesterday. Page 10

"Your Views and Mine" our weekly feature appears on Page 6

The evidence in the Long Firm Fraud case was completed yesterday. The concluding sitting will be on Monday. Page 6

Allegations of incendiarism were made at an investigation begun yesterday in Kowloon into certain mysterious outbreaks of fire. Page 12

Tennis League results are given on Page 10

Lawn Bowls pairs competition results and League programme will be found on Page 10

CHINESE LAD MISSING

Mrs. Chan To Sz, of 105 Queen's Road West, 2nd Floor reports that her son Chan On Yau, (a pupil of King's College) aged 12 years, has been missing from his home since Wednesday evening.

It is reported to the family that Chan On Yau was last seen in the company of Un So a youth aged about 17 years resident at No. 4 Ah Chung Lei (1st floor) Shui Hang Hau where the grandmother of Un So lives.

Enquiries reveal the fact that Chan On Yau had about \$18.00 in his possession, and further that Un So removed his clothing and other property from the custody of his grandmother.

It is assumed that both lads have decamped—possibly in the company of other youths.

LOCAL AND GENERAL

Probate has been granted to Leung Mung-lan, of No. 58, Caine Road, of the will of the late Cheung Min-yung, a widow, who died at the same address on September 11, 1933, leaving local estate valued \$193,600.

Those who crossed the ferry yesterday must have witnessed an unusual sight at the Kowloon wharves where for the first time, all the ten berths, including the new one, were occupied. The tonnage of the steamers came to nearly 120,000.

The steamers, with their gross tonnage, were:—Empress of Japan (26,032), Chichibu Maru (17,498), President Jackson (14,124), Terukuni Maru (11,931), President Harrison (10,504), Tilawa (10,006), Kitano Maru (7,952), Hieiyo Maru (9,816), Helmsperger (4,740), and General Lee (4,611).

Two mishaps caused by the torrential rainstorm on Thursday night have so far been reported, the most serious of which was the destruction of the new motor-car park on the Peak, opposite the Peak Hotel. Tons of earth and filling were swept down the hillside together with the concrete storm-water channels and wooden fencing. It is also learned that the Island Road has been blocked at one point as the result of a landslide.

EMPIRE DAY INCIDENT AT MALTA

Scathing Attack At Banquet

Malta, May 25.
An incident occurred on Empire Day at a banquet arranged by the Royal Empire Society of the Overseas League.

Following a wildly-applauded speech, the Governor, Sir David Campbell scathingly attacked certain pro-Italian elements on the island.

The ex-Premier, Sir Ugo Mifsud, leader of the Nationalists, protested and said: "I drink to the health of the Empire, but I was told there would be no political speeches."

The banquet was attended by the Lieutenant-Governor, heads of the Civil Administration, and naval and military officers.

The Governor, in deliberate and measured words, sharply criticised the small but eloquent section of the population who render lip service to the Empire but behind it belittle everything the British praise and everything connected with a neighbouring friendly state.

He expressed confidence that this is repugnant to Premier Mussolini and his Government.—Reuter.

MISSING SAAR DOCUMENTS

Cross Accusation

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)

Berlin, May 24.
Commenting on the excitement shown by the French Press about the alleged theft of important documents belonging to the Saar Administration coal mines in Saarbrücken which the French Press declares have been stolen by German nationalists, newspapers in the Reich point out that inquiries made by the German authorities reveal that the papers are not missed by the mines belonging to the administration in Saarbrücken, but to the so-called dominical school of mining in the town of Dietrichshausen and that the documents were taken by three watchmen employed there, all of whom are naturalised French subjects.

This disposes of the charge that the culprits were Germans. Not the slightest motive for such act could be rationally attributed to the German side. Up till now the whereabouts of the watchmen and the documents could not be ascertained, likewise the object of the theft.—Transocean Kuo Min.

SIR FREDERICK MAZE

To Be Entertained In London

London, May 25.
Sir Frederick Maze, Inspector General of the Chinese Maritime Customs, who is on furlough at present will be the guest of the "Grocers' Company at a banquet on May 29 and also at a dinner to be given by the China Committee of Members of Parliament on June 14.

The China Association and Central Asian Society are also arranging to entertain him.—Reuter.

POLICE CAR PATROLS

London, May 24.
An improved system of patrolling by police cars controlled by wireless from Scotland Yard is to be introduced in the Metropolitan police district.

The whole district, consisting of 700 square miles, has been divided into 32 areas, in each of which at least one car fitted with wireless will operate day and night.

The object of the system is to facilitate the prevention of crime and the arrest of criminals, more particularly motor thieves, house-breakers and smash-and-grab raiders.—British Wireless.

UNEMPLOYED IN GERMANY

Latest Figures

Berlin, May 25.
Over two million more persons were re-employed in Germany during April, according to the State Labour Office.

The number of unemployed in Germany, in April, totalled about 8,000,000, representing a decline of 114,000, as compared with March, and a decline of 5,296,000 as compared with March, 1933.

The re-employment was chiefly between the manufacturing and mechanical industries, though unemployment in the mining industry increased by 32,000.—Reuter.

KING LEOPOLD'S INTEREST

Intervenes in Mine Dispute

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)

Brussels, May 24.
Young King Leopold III personally intervened on Thursday in the dispute going on in the mining industry since owners announced that a five per cent cut in the wages was coming.

The step taken by King Leopold seems to have assured victory from the working man's point of view. The King made a special request that negotiations be started immediately between owners and miners, thus fulfilling the promise he gave the workmen recently when the King visited the scene of the disaster in the Patuages mine. It is assumed that the wage cut plan will be dropped.—Transocean Kuo Min.

DAVIS CUP TENNIS

Two Matches In U.S.

Wilmington, Delaware, May 24.
The United States and Canada commenced their Davis Cup tennis matches to-day when two singles encounters took place, both resulting in favour of America.

Lester Stoefton (U.S.) beat Marcel Rainville 6-1, 7-5, 6-1.
Frank Shields beat Walter Martin 6-2, 6-3, 9-7.—Reuter.

ADDITIONAL FRENCH DEFENCES

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)

Paris, May 24.
During discussion by the Army committee in Chamber on Thursday about a supplementary vote of one and a half milliards francs for additional frontier fortifications, Deputy Fabry made a report about his trip along the eastern frontiers undertaken with several other members of Parliament.

Fabry advocated the construction of a duplicate chain frontier fortifications whereby the existing "Chinese wall" would be reinforced. The Army committee approved and advocated to vote the funds demanded. The estimates will now go before the Financial committee. It passed, work on the new fortifications will begin in the late summer this year.—Transocean Kuo Min.

KING'S CONGRATULA- TIONS

London, May 24.
His Majesty the King has sent through the Governor-General, a message of congratulation to Miss Jean Batten, young New Zealand aviator, on her England-Australia record flight.—British Wireless.

DUTCH RUBBER RESTRICTION

Vote of People's Council

London, May 25.
The Financial Times learns from Amsterdam that it is practically certain that the Dutch East Indies Government will override the vote of the People's Council and introduce export duty and a relation of 58 estate to 42 native rubber from June.—Reuter.

The People's Council had passed a resolution by 27 votes to 23 fixing a quota for state native rubber on a fifty-fifty basis.

The first license during the period of restriction in the Dutch East Indies in 1934 will last for four months, allowing exports of 95 per cent, as the quota allotted to estate native rubber.

The Council, by 32 votes to 20, rejected the motion for export duty on native rubber and the government representative announced that the export duty will be replaced by individual restriction as soon as possible despite the unanimous opposition of native and other representatives on the Council.

The Council also adopted restriction regulations.

DEPRESSION HITS SIENYU

Loan Banks Close Their Doors

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

Sienyu, May 19.
A most acute financial situation has arisen in Sienyu and the adjoining County of Pufen. A few years ago the Government gave permission to a local company to issue paper money and conduct a loan bank. The number of loan banks increased rapidly until more than ten were in operation in which most of the leading business men held stock. Gradually silver and Bank of China notes almost disappeared from circulation.

Loans were easily made and these paper notes widely circulated. In this way money circulated freely. There has been a recklessness in spending. Local military semi-bandit chieftains and officials frequently held up these banks for "loans." Officials of the loan banks often misused their privileges and used large sums in gambling ventures. It was inevitable that the bubble should at length come to the bursting point.

Recently the Government arrested a prominent local military chief who was concerned in bandit activities as well. He was tried and executed. His activities had involved one of these Loan Banks to a serious extent so that upon his arrest it became known that the remaining Loan Banks were in a serious condition. They were not able to cash the paper money as presented and one after another has been forced to close its doors.

Magistrate To Flee

This has brought business to a standstill for there is no medium of exchange now. For several years the usual silver ten and twenty cent pieces have disappeared from circulation. Silver dollars and Bank of China notes are only to be had in small amounts as they have been gradually taken away for the purchase of goods or taken up by officials and taken out of this section. Now the merchants and people hold in their hands an amount estimated at over a million dollars in paper money that has no purchasing power.

The country people come to the City with their paper money and go to the Banks only to find the doors close. This leaves them in a rioting mood and the situation is most threatening. Already a number of homes of stock holders have been wrecked as well as a number of prominent shops connected with the loan companies. The Magistrate seems to be helpless in the matter and the report is that he is making preparations to flee. Many of the officials and prominent stock holders of the Loan Banks have fled the country. Many prominent shops have closed their doors.

DECLINE OF STERLING

Cause Explained

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)

London, May 24.
Uneasiness expressed by other countries about the new decline of the pound sterling is not shared by the City. One of the chief causes for the weakness is the report just issued by the Bank of International Settlements pointing out that the amount of foreign credits held in London is 450 million pounds while the city had estimated them at not more than a hundred million. If the Bank figures are correct then approximately the same disproportion between credits and debts exists now as in 1931 when the pound left the gold standard. But as leading international financial authorities point out there can be no parallel drawn, as the is no inducement as then for foreign depositors to withdraw credit balances, above all French credits being far smaller.

The real cause of the sagging of the pound is believed to be big purchases of dollars into the American account, occasioned by the United States' plans to use silver as currency cover. Furthermore, the restoration of confidence in the French franc has strengthened all gold currencies of which the weaker pound is evident as a counterpart. The belief is that there will be no intervention by the British adjustment fund at present.—Transocean Kuo Min.

EFFECT OF REPATRIATION

London, May 25.
The recent decline of sterling in terms of gold currencies is not due to any intrinsic weakness of sterling but is attributed to the improving financial prospects of gold bloc countries, causing repatriation from London, and France towards Switzerland.

Sterling has also depreciated in terms of the dollar which has given rise to rumours of a reflux of American capital towards the United States following the disappointing results of inflationary schemes, but well-informed quarters consider that the small British dollar purchases in an extremely narrow market in order to benefit from the low level of Wall Street is the main cause of the weakness. British control have been selling while France is paying no attention to the dollar.—Reuter.

SILVER MARKET

(From Our Own Correspondent.)

London, May 25.
London silver prices to-day were unchanged, as follows:
May 22 May 25
Spot 199/16 199/16
Forward 199/16 199/16
The London on New York cross-rate at 2 p.m. to-day was 5.09 5/16, compared with 5.09 1/4 at yesterday's closing.

EMPIRE DAY SURPRISE

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)

London, May 24.
Businessmen arriving at Westminster early on Thursday morning, Empire Day, were surprised to find that the flag flying over the London County Council headquarters, opposite Parliament, was a Fascist symbol of the British flag with a hooked cross on white field instead of the customary Union Jack. Three members of the British Fascist party hoisted the former during the night.—Transocean Kuo Min.

GOERING WELCOMED

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)

Budapest, May 25.
On his way home from a tour in Greece, General Goering, Reichs Aviation Minister, reached the Hungarian capital on Thursday by air when he was cordially welcomed in Budapest on behalf of Premier Goemboos by the Trade Minister, von Fehny, commander of the Hungarian aviation Corps and a detachment of the Hungarian air force and officers. The staff of the German Legation headed by Minister von Machensen were also in attendance.—Transocean Kuo Min.

LORD HARRIS MEMORIAL

Impressive Ceremony At Lord's

(Special Air-Mail Service)

London, May 8.
As a permanent tribute to his great services to cricket a memorial to the late Lord Harris was unveiled at Lord's yesterday. Just before half-past 5 the game between M.C.C. and Surrey was stopped and the players, together with the staff at Lord's, joined the company which had assembled for the ceremony.

The memorial, the site of which is behind the Pavilion, consists of a tablet bearing an inscription on a wall, faced with flints from Lord Harris's estate at Belmont. There is also a gateway with stone pillars and wrought-iron gates facing the tablet.

Viscount Hallsham, President of M.C.C., who unveiled the memorial, said that Lord Harris had been one of the greatest figures in the cricket world during the last half-century, and if W. G. Grace was outstanding as a player, Lord Harris was the greatest figure on the administrative side. He read a telegram received from A. P. F. Chapman as follows:—

"The Kent team playing at Cardiff to-day would much appreciate being associated with the unveiling of the Lord Harris Memorial at Lord's, at the same time appreciating his great work for English and Kent cricket."

The inscription on the tablet reads:—
"Erected to the memory of George Robert Canning, Lord Harris, 1851-1932, by the M.C.C. in recognition of invaluable services rendered to cricket and to the Club for a period of more than fifty years. He was a great cricketer, a great gentleman, and a wise counsellor whose enthusiasm for the game never waned."

U. S. BASEBALL

Seven Results

New York, May 24.
The following are the results of major league baseball to-day:

American League		
	R.	H.
New York	2	7
Chicago	1	3
Washington	5	12
St. Louis	6	7
Home run by Pepper (St. Louis)		
Philadelphia	3	8
Detroit	6	10
League League		
	R.	H.
Chicago	2	4
New York	7	12
Home run by Mancuso (New York)		
St. Louis	7	13
Brooklyn	3	10
Pittsburgh	7	13
Boston	3	11
Home run by Lavagetto (Pittsburgh)		
Cincinnati	0	3
Philadelphia	5	10
Home run by P. Moore (Philadelphia)		

BERLIN SHARE MARKET

(Special to the "Hong Kong Daily Press" (Copyright).)

Berlin, May 24.
The profound influence exercised by the Transfer Conference negotiations over the trend of business in the sharemarket was well illustrated on Thursday when a mere rumour that the conference was at last nearing the end, caused a decided improvement in prices although as before the turnover remained very small. Fixed interest securities also responded although price changes were not uniform.

Call Money 4 to 4 1/2. Young Loan weakened 1/8 to 91 1/8. Reichsbank recovered 1/8 to 150. Dresdner 1/8 lower at 133 5/8. Salzkammergut 1/8 lower at 143 1/2. German Steel Trusts rose 1/4 to 40 1/2. German Mineral Oils down 1/8 to 114. Siemens-Schuckert jumped 1 1/2 to 132 1/2. Bemberg-Hayon advanced 1/4 to 114 1/2.—Transocean Kuo Min.

JAPAN AND NAVAL TREATY

Fully Expected To Denounce

London, May 25.
It is understood that on the initiative of the British Government, communications were recently exchanged between the Governments and principal Naval Powers as regards the question as to whether it would be advisable or helpful to hold preliminary diplomatic talks on technical questions, also the procedure in view at the Naval Conference in 1935.

No actual meeting of the representatives of Naval Powers are at present contemplated. The United States has already intimated she favours talks. It is fully expected Japan will denounce the Washington Treaty which is terminable if denounced by one power before December 31.—Reuter.

THREE-POWER TALK

Washington, May 25.
Britain, the United States and Japan are engaged in conversations with a view to ascertaining the possibility of preliminarily discussing naval questions prior to the Washington Naval Conference in 1935.

It is understood that the first overtures came from Britain and Japan.

Japanese officials have suggested that a preliminary discussion on international questions relating to the Pacific will go a long way in clearing the atmosphere for the Naval Conference.—Reuter.

STAMPS OF BRITISH NORTH AMERICA

£1,400 For Two Canadian Examples

(Special Air-Mail Service)

London, May 8.
Rare stamps of the British North American Colonies maintained their popularity in the second day's sale of the Hind collection. A superb mint horizontal pair of the 12d Canada (1851) attracted keen bidding and was finally knocked down for the record price of £1,400.

A Newfoundland air mail stamp, prepared for the abortive flight to Halifax, N.S., as recently as 1921, in a block of four showing the overprint inverted, made the next highest price, £250, while 2480 was paid for an immaculate pair of the 1s stamp of Nova Scotia (1851) in the scarce cold violet colour, used on an envelope with the 6d. yellow-green to make up the 1s. 6d. letter rate to India. An unused copy of the same stamp in the purple shade fetched £110. Among the classic early stamps of Newfoundland £140 was paid for a brilliant unused copy of the 4d. scarlet-velvet and £145 for a similar example of the 1s. The 4d. orange-velvet, mint, with large margins, made £70, and an exceedingly fine unused copy of the 1s. in the same shade brought £300.

In the New Brunswick issues the 6d. yellow, bisected and used on a letter for 3d. postage, went for £44; and a lightly cancelled but slightly thinned copy of the 1s. reddish maroon for £21.

Included in the sale were also stamps of the British Possessions in Europe, among which the most notable prices were £45 for a mint copy of the "no value" error of Gibraltar, and £65 for superb corner-block, mint and well centred, of that twentieth century rarity the 10s. Malta with Multiple C.A. watermark. The grand total for the two days sale reached approximately £7,500.

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COMMENCING OCT. 1934, & EXTENDING INTO 1935.

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TUNG WAH HOSPITAL'S NEW BUILDING

OFFICIALLY OPENED BY H.E.
THE GOVERNOR

Wards Named After Mr. Hallifax And Mr. Wood

The Tung Wah Hospital's new building at Po Yan Street was officially opened yesterday by His Excellency the Governor. There was a very large gathering present to watch the ceremony and in the course of a speech afterwards, His Excellency congratulated the last and the present committees on their success in the re-building scheme.

After the speeches had been delivered by the Chairman, Mr. Lau Ping Tsai, His Excellency and the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, a group photograph was taken. The large gathering then inspected the new building.

It was announced by the Hon. Dr. Kotewall that two of the big wards in the hospital had been named after Mr. E. R. Hallifax and the Hon. Mr. A. E. Wood, two former Secretaries for Chinese Affairs, as a mark of appreciation of the keen interest they had taken in the Hospital.

Chairman's Brief Survey Of Institution

H.E. the Governor was accompanied by Lady Peel and Capt. F. F. Waiters, R.A., and others present included—H.E. Major General O. C. Borrett and Mrs. Borrett, Sir Thomas and Lady Southern, Sir William Hornell, the Right Rev. Mgr. Bishop Vitoria, Major General and Mrs. O. C. Borrett, the Hon. Mr. Edwin Taylor, Mr. G. R. Sayer, the Hon. Mr. N. L. Smith, the Hon. Mr. N. Henderson, the Hon. Dr. A. R. Wellington, the Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, the Hon. Sir Shou-son Chow, the Hon. Dr. S. W. Tso, Mr. M. K. Lo, Mr. Chan Lim Pak, Mr. Li Yau Tsun, Mr. Wong Kwong Tin, Mr. Tang Shu Kin, Mr. Kwok Shi Lau and Mr. Lau Ping Tsai, Chairman of the Hospital Committee.

CHAIRMAN'S SPEECH

The Chairman (Mr. Lau Ping Tsai), addressing the gathering at the opening of the proceedings, said—Your Excellency, Lady Peel, Ladies and Gentlemen—On behalf of the hospital I have to thank Your Excellency for performing the opening ceremony and for the other visitors for their kind attendance. A short history of our hospital would be interesting. It was on the initiative of one Mr. Leung Hok Chau that it came into being. This was in the ninth year of the reign of Emperor Tung Chi of the Ching Dynasty, 64 years ago. Successive committees effected improvements from time to time under the guidance of the Hong Kong Government and with the strong support of the community of this Colony, until now, it has become one of the leading benevolent institutions of South China. Its name has become a byword with Chinese community.

Its work has expanded a good deal within recent years, so much so that the hospital accommodation was found inadequate to fulfil the increasing demand on its work. The decision was then reached to rebuild a large portion of the hospital, and this extensive work, carried out in four stages, has now been completed. It is interesting to recall that when Sir Cecil Clementi, in 1924, paid a visit to the hospital he entered a memorandum in a record of this hospital to the effect that rebuilding was highly desirable. This opinion was shared by many other residents, amongst them Mr. M. K. Lo, the then chairman of the hospital, who in a report submitted on behalf of the committee of that year, expressed the opinion that in the event of rebuilding, such work might be advantageously carried out section by section.

REBUILDING SCHEME

During last year Mr. Chan Lim Pak, then chairman of the Hospital Directorate as the first step in the rebuilding scheme convened a general meeting of the Hospital Committee and of the Advisory Board. At this meeting Sir Shou-son Chow was also present. In addition to the three other Chinese Council representatives. As a result of that meeting a sub-committee was appointed to go into the matter. It was the duty of this sub-committee to represent the views of the community on the rebuilding scheme.

H.E. THE GOVERNOR

It is a great pleasure to me to open to-day this new block of the Tung Wah Hospital. When I laid the foundation stone of the building in October last I referred to the fact that I had on so many occasions had the privilege of testifying to the excellent progress of this institution that it was difficult for me to find anything new to say. My difficulty has now grown still greater. The completion of this building marks a great step in the history of the Tung Wah. The old building stood for over sixty years during which time most excellent work was done but it must be conceded that it had grown out of date and was, in many ways, difficult to administer. There can be no doubt that a new building was called for and I congratulate both the last and the present committees on their successfully bringing the re-building scheme to this point. I also congratulate the architect and the contractors on the fine work which they have done.

Air and Spacious. This building as compared with the old one is very airy and spacious and while it will not accommodate quite as many patients there is no doubt that the amenities provided will more than compensate this. At the same time it is probable that owing to its being situated in the congested areas of the city, it will still be found desirable to transfer convalescent cases to the Tung Wah

FANLING GOLF

Starting Times For
Sunday

The starting times for Sunday, at Fanling, are:

Old Course	
9.28	D. J. Keogh, A. E. Perry
9.32	E. de la Voeux, E. D. Matthews
9.36	E. Lewis, R. A. Rodgers
9.40	J. Mc I Brown, T. J. J. Fenwick
9.44	W. N. A. Smalley, R. C. Webb
9.48	L. M. S. Lloyd, E. M. Bryden
9.52	M. N. Coates, P. H. Scoones
9.56	J. Donaldson, H. C. Hopkins
10.00	W. H. B. Rigg, D. A. Cumming
New Course	
10.04	J. B. Ross, A. E. Lissaman
10.08	S. H. Dodwell, K. S. Morrison
10.12	A. T. Loy, I. H. Gear
9.32	Mrs. Webb, Mrs. Smalley

East which is in a much more hygienic position.

I am glad that accommodation has been made in this building for tubercular patients. It is unnecessary for me to stress the dreadful scourge that this disease is in this Colony and I would that I could find some adequate means of dealing with it. It is in a large measure, an economic question, as poverty is undoubtedly a great factor. It is often urged that sanatoria should be established but my long experience of the East convinces me that it is almost impossible to get Oriental tubercular patients to enter a sanatorium until the disease is very advanced and the patient has reached an almost incurable stage. It is however, a great boon to have separate wards in hospitals and this will be provided for in the new Government Civil Hospital as has been done in the Tung Wah Eastern Hospital. With such wards it is possible to segregate tubercular patients and avoid putting them in wards with other patients; this is a most desirable step.

Making History

The committees of the Tung Wah have made history in Hong Kong and the work done by them deserves the greatest praise. Each committee on taking up its duties makes it its duty to improve conditions and this has postulated personal contributions from the members themselves.

At various times, of which this is one, it has been very difficult for them to find funds owing to the depressed economic conditions. It is however not too much to say that in spite of such difficulties every committee has contributed valuable service during its term of office. In future this financial burden will be somewhat lightened owing to certain land having been granted by Government for the erection of shop-houses the rents from which will be allocated to the purposes of this institution.

The work done by the various Tung Wah committees has been by no means restricted to hospitals and the extent of their activities has scarcely been appreciated, more especially by the European community. It has always been regarded as a great honour to be a member of the committee of the Tung Wah and those who have been chosen have always realised that such an honour carries with it serious responsibilities.

Former Governor Quoted. In referring to the work done I cannot perhaps do better than quote an extract from a speech made by one of my predecessors, Sir Keighly Stubbs in October 1920 when he laid the foundation stone of the Jubilee Ward of this Hospital. He said:

"The matters in which the committee represents the connecting link between the Government and the Chinese community are too numerous to recount. They vary from the investigation of claims after a typhoon to the supervision of the removal of ancient graves from land which is required for building purposes. It is sufficient to say that without the constant and ready assistance of the Tung Wah Committee the task of the Government would be infinitely more difficult and the result of its activities considerably less satisfactory both to itself and to the community in general."

Further evidence of the ready co-operation of the Committee was forthcoming in the assistance rendered in connection with the recent disaster at the Gas Works. On behalf of the Government of this Colony I thank both present and past committees most sincerely for the fine work which they have achieved. (Applauded)

I have much pleasure in declaring this building open and in wishing it every success in the future. (Applauded)

SIXTH EXTRA RACE MEETING

Entries and Weights

The entries and handicaps of the sixth extra race meeting of the Hong Kong Jockey Club are as follows:

1.—Beaufort Handicap (1 Mile)
Banquet Hall 140, Bay View 163, Bold Marshal 140, Budge 160, Ebony Idol 140, Great Hall 140, Lemberg 160, Monoplane 162, Morning Sun 140, Racing Spirit 145, Shaughraun 140, The Redshank 140, Two Tak 140, What A Chance 158, William Osler 150, Zero 141.

2.—Bondi Handicap "A" Class (1 Mile)
Alacrity 155, Atlas 155, Bag Tor 160, Just That 160, Mutiny Bay 150, Night Star 155, Polar Star 135, Saucy Face 150.

3.—Cheung Chan Handicap "A" Class (1 Mile)
Cossack's Beauty 160, Gleneagles 145, Hetman 148, King's Justice 155, Sadko 163.

4.—Crocodile Handicap (5 Furlongs)
Bold Commander 155, Corrie 140, Delightful Chance 155, Kitsap 140, Little Beauty 145, Racing Spirit 145, Sarabande 159, Scar Face 145, St. Ives 140, The Carp 168, Tolshan 140, Utopian 158, Young Hero 140.

5.—Lantau Handicap "C" Class (1 Mile)
Boxing Eve 140, Budge 160, Daylight Eve 150, Ebony Idol 140, Lemberg 160, Mike 140, Monoplane 162, Racing Boy 140, Royal Flush 140, The Redshank 140, Tillicum 140, Two Tak 140, Valorous 161, Wakefield 140, Wayward Stag 140, What A Chance 158, Zero 141.

6.—Green Island Handicap "B" Class (1 Mile)
Blue Star 148, Brechin 154, Bright Star 165, Don 160, Flying Tourist 140, Gay Crusader 145, Gladiator 154, King's Bounty 150, Mayflower 158, Prima Donna 156, Soldier of Germany 161.

7.—Juling Stakes Handicap "D" Class (1 Mile)
Bold Marshal 150, Burgomaster 154, Chivalrous 140, Colombo 150, Hot Heels 150, King's Parade 156, Morning Sun 150, National Day 160, Orlando 145, Pie Face 145, Powerful King 153, Racing Triumph 150, Rose Leaf 150, Shaughraun 145, Warrington 158, Widnes 140.

8.—Mainly Handicap (1 Mile)
Australian Boy 140, Cheeky Face 140, City of Brisbane 135, Flumery 135, Polar Star 145, Fortia 152, Ration 135, St. Joan 151, Tecumseh 135, The Giraffe 135, The Goose 163, Vriday 144.

9.—Lama Handicap "D" Class (1 Mile)
Cavalade 168, Chesterfield 140, Chow Fan 140, Dare Devil 140, Fudge 168, Gay Butterfly 154, Helter Skelter 147, In Good Time 145, King Willow 140, No Fear 152, Soldier of Italy 145.

MACAO HOCKEY CLUB

End Of Successful
Season

The successful hockey season which just terminated has shown a wonderful record set up by the Macao Hockey Club and it will not be out of place to mention herein the splendid results of the efforts displayed by the local lads during the last few months.

The class of players they had to play against and the number of matches that took place and the results obtained are certainly worthy of a special mention and we reproduce here the "record" set up by the Macao Hockey Club.

2nd Battery H. K. S. B.	
(R. A.)	4 3
Hongkong University	5 0
Hongkong University	6 0
United Hockey Club	6 0
Radio Sports Club	1 0
Royal Army Service Corps	6 0
Midway Officers	3 2
Lincolnshire Regiment	2 1
Y. M. C. A.	2 1
Royal Signals	5 0
Midway Officers (at Hongkong)	1 3
Interport Macao-Hongkong (at Hongkong)	1 1
Combined Services (at Hongkong)	3 4
Royal Engineers	2 1
Incorporates	0 0

H.K. VOLUNTEER DEFENCE CORPS.

ORDERS BY LT.-COL. H. B. L. DOWBRIGGIN, O.B.E. COMMANDANT, H.K.V.D. CORPS.

1.—PARADE

(a) Corps 1st Battery.—1. Parade at Belcher's Fort on Thursday, May 31, 1934 at 6 p.m. for combined operations. All ranks are requested to make every effort to attend.

Dress: Overalls and Blue Caps. 2. H.M. the King's Birthday Parade.—Parade at Headquarters at 9.50 a.m.

Dress: Ceremonial — Topie, Jacket, Breeches, Bandolier, Puttees rolled downwards.

3. Trumpeters will parade on Tuesday, May 29, 1934 at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m.

4. Gunner, J. Watson having qualified as a Range-Taker is entitled to wear the badge for one year from May 10, 1934.

(b) Corps Signals.—Parade at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 29, 1934.

H.M. the King's Birthday Parade.—Monday, June 4, 1934. Parade at Headquarters at 9.50 a.m.

Dress: Ceremonial — Helmet, Jacket, Shorts, Black Boots, Puttees, Hosetops, Belt, Rifle and Bayonet. All members are requested to be present at this parade.

(c) Corps Engineers.—Parade at Miniature Range at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, May 28, 1934. Thursday, May 31, 1934—D.L. Training at Belcher's Fort at 5.45 p.m.

Dress: Caps and Overalls. Monthly parade at Belcher's Fort will be held on the last instead of the second Thursday in each month in future. Training will be carried out in conjunction with Stonecutters and targets will be provided.

Monday, June 4, 1934—King's Birthday Parade. All members should make an effort to turn out.

Details will be given in general orders.

(d) Corps Machine Gun Battalion: TROOP. Parade on Tuesday, May 29, 1934 at 5.30 p.m. at Causeway Bay Stable.

All members must make a special effort to be present as this will be the last parade before the King's Birthday.

ARMOURD CAR COMPANY. Parade on Monday, May 28, 1934 at Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Muli.

(e) Corps Infantry (Portuguese): Members of the Corps Infantry (Portuguese Company) are reminded that the King's Birthday Parade will take place on Monday, June 4, 1934.

Time of Parade—9.50 a.m. at Headquarters. Dress: (as for Annual Inspection).

It is hoped that as many as possible will attend. N.C.O.'s will please advise their men of the above parade.

(Sd.) P. S. M. WILKINSON, Captain, Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

H.M. THE KING'S BIRTHDAY PARADE—1934. Date: June 4, 1934.

Time of Parade—9.50 a.m. Place of Parade—Headquarters. Dress: Ceremonial (as for Annual Inspection).

Note: The rifles of the Troop will be carried in the Rifle-buckets.

NOTICE

Sergeant's Mess. Mess. Kit.—The Commandant has approved the substitution of a blue patrol jacket in place of the existing jacket for winter wear. The summer kit remains unchanged.

H.M. King's Birthday. The members of the Mess will be "At Home" to their friends in the Mess from 11.30 a.m. to 12.30 p.m. June 4, 1934.

Cumberland	4 2
Navy Officers	2 2
H.K. S. Brigade (R.A.)	4 1
Eagle	5 2
Malaya-Macao Inter- port (at Macao)	0 1
2nd Team Falmouth	5 1
Malayan Chinese Macao Interport (at Macao)	8 0
Navy Selection	6 0
Y. M. C. A.	4 1
Punjab	4 1

The club played 25 matches, won eighteen, drew 4 and lost 3 making a total of 93 goals in their favour against 27 of the opposing teams.

TENNIS LEAGUE

"C" Division Matches

Despite the softness of the ground, all the matches in the "C" division, scheduled for decision yesterday were played. In Hong Kong, four matches were decided, three winning on home ground and one away. The heaviest defeat was suffered by the University who were trounced to the tune of nine sets to nil by the Chinese Recreation Club, while the Indians beat the Police R.C. by the convincing margin of 8 sets to one. Civil Service, on their own ground had no difficulty in accounting for the Radio Sports Club by seven sets to two, while the Army Tennis Club, despite the advantage of playing at home, lost to the Craigenower Cricket Club by six sets to three.

ARMY v. C.C.C.

On their own ground, the Army T.C. lost to the C.C.C. by 6 sets to 3.

W. H. Gilroy and W. Miller (Army)	lost to A. Kitchell and G. Lal	1-6
lost to Y. C. Mok and D. Leonard		2-6
lost to A. B. Hanson and H. Howard		4-6
Jarman and W. Blackler (Army)	beat Kitchell and Lal	6-2
beat Mok and D. Leonard		6-4
beat Hanson and H. Howard		6-2
A. Oldfield and E. Wilson (Army)	lost to Kitchell and Lal	4-6
lost to Mok and Leonard		3-6
lost to Hanson and Howard		3-8

I.R.C. v. POLICE R.C.

Firdos Khan and M. A. Khan (I.R.C.)	beat H. Loughlin and W. Meadows	6-1
beat C. and T. Pile		6-2
beat H. Moran and T. Hemsley		6-0
S. A. R. Bux and A. R. H. Small (I.R.C.)	beat Loughlin and Meadows	7-5
lost to C. and T. Pile		4-6
beat Moran and Hemsley		6-1
M. el Arculli and Y. el Arculli (I.R.C.)	beat Loughlin and Meadows	7-5
beat C. and T. Pile		6-0
beat Moran and Hemsley		6-0

C.S.C.C. v. RADIO

J. A. Bendall and G. Fowler (C.S.C.C.)	beat Davis and Chanson	6-2
drew with Sheriff and Jhan		6-6
Dad		6-4
beat Jeffery and Wei		6-4
W. F. Edge and Daley (C.S.C.C.)	beat Davis and Chanson	7-5
drew with Sheriff and Dad		6-6
lost to Jeffery and Wei		2-6
D. M. McDougall and Fischer (C.S.C.C.)	beat Davis and Chanson	6-1
beat Sheriff and Dad		7-5
beat Jeffery and Wei		6-3

CHINESE R.C. v. UNIVERSITY. The following were the scores:—P. C. Leung and T. W. Lau (C.R.C.)

beat T. O. Lo and Y. N. Tam		6-2
beat K. T. Kwai and Yatskin		6-4
beat H. T. Bee and Mahan Singh		6-3
H. M. Lee and W. K. Chung (C.R.C.)	beat Lo and Tam	6-0
beat Kwai and Yatskin		7-5
beat Bee and Mahan Singh		6-0
W. M. Chung and H. T. Wo (C.R.C.)	beat Lo and Tam	6-0
beat Kwai and Yatskin		6-3
beat Bee and Mahan Singh		6-0

E.C.C. v. C.B.A.

Playing at the Central British Association's courts yesterday, the Kowloon Cricket Club defeated the home Club by seven sets to 2, in the "C" Division of the Lawn Tennis League.

The courts were in not too good a condition and the last sets were played in very fast falling light.		
J. J. Ferguson and F. Angus (C.B.A.)	lost to R. S. Capell and W. Gittens	1-6
lost to C. Wigg and J. S. Smith		4-6
lost to F. Broadbridge and J. Crawford		5-7
R. Blyth and M. Whitley (C.B.A.)	lost to Capell and Gittens	3-6
drew with Wigg and Gittens		6-6
lost to Broadbridge and Crawford		5-7
N. Halford and M. Gussavitch (C.B.A.)	drew with Capell and Gittens	6-6

LAWN BOWLS

Senior Division
Upset

(By "GREEN")

The lawn bowls League games last Saturday provided one of the biggest upsets when Craigenower ("A") were surprisingly defeated by their clubmates, the "B" team. Bradbury's rink, which included only one player from the old team which has made remarkable successes in past years, had a complete collapse, scoring only 13 shots, while the opposing four led by Rosset gathered a total of 27. The other two rinks of the "A" team showed a gain between them, of 8 shots, so the "A" team lost the points by a matter of six shots. Craigenower "A" can ill-afford to lose any points, especially at the hands of their own men, and this initial check might have a serious bearing in their ambition to win the championship.

Kowloon Dock and the Police teams were very unfortunate as they lost by very small margins. The champions (Bowling Green Club) won by only two shots against Kowloon Dock. They were very lucky to win and remain unbeaten, as thereby they established an advantage, considering that their rivals, Craigenower, were beaten. The Police who were visitors at the Kowloon C.C. lost the points by a single shot. They have in previous seasons lost matches by very close margins and it seems that they have not got over their run of bad luck.

The following are the games fixed for this afternoon:—

Senior Division

Talkoo v. Craigenower "A"
K'loon B.C.C. v. Civil Service
C'gower "B" v. Club de Releto

Junior Division

Craigenower v. H.K. Electric
Civil Service v. Kowloon B.C.C.
Kowloon C.C. v. Indian R.C.
Releto v. Yacht Club
Police R.C. v. Football Club

PAIRS CHAMPIONSHIP

Two lawn bowls matches in the open pair championship were played yesterday, one on the Hong Kong Football Club green and the other on the Police Recreation Club green.

In the former, the Omar brothers, A. K. and A. M., engaged W. Forrest and W. McHardy in a terrific struggle, so much so that the match was still undecided when darkness set in, the score being 23-23.

A. F. Carey and W. Glendenning had no difficulty in defeating T. R. Hunter and L. Mist, winning by 25 shots to 14.

beat Wigg and Smith 7-5
lost to Broadbridge and Crawford 3-6

Games Postponed

The "C" Division Lawn Tennis encounters between the Kowloon Dock Recreation Club and the Deutscher Klub, and the Club de Releto and the Kowloon Bowling Green Club, which should have taken place yesterday, were unavoidably postponed owing to unfavourable conditions.

TO-MORROW AT THE CENTRAL THEATRE

Bring 'Em Back Alive
FRANK BUCK

strips the jungle of its lords

to give you
WILD
CARGO

Now you can see the thrilling adventures of Frank Buck and his team of explorers and hunters in the heart of the jungle.

Robert MONTGOMERY MYSTERY OF MR. X

CHAPTER V.

A PLAN TO CAPTURE MR. X. Sir Herbert Frensham agreed that the plan for capturing X advanced by Revel was plausible and had merit enough, despite objections, so that Superintendent Connor was coming to talk it over with him. The butler announced the superintendent. Frensham went to meet him, leaving Revel and Jane alone in the dining room of the Frensham home.

Jane exclaimed: "Well, you win!" "Good! When do we dine together?"

"We have already." "What! Oh, I see—" with a wry smile—"I hoped it would be dinner for two."

"Nothing in the way, about that."

"Next time I'll make the terms more specific."

"Do I want some gloves?"

"What do you think of the amateur mind now, Miss Frensham?"

"Better wait until you hear what Mr. Connor has to say."

After Sir Herbert had introduced his guests and Jane had left them alone in the drawing room, Superintendent Connor observed, somewhat dryly: "You're getting to be quite a figure in this case, Mr. Revel."

"It's quite exciting being behind the scenes as it were."

"I discussed your suggestion with Connor," said Sir Herbert as they drew up chairs by the fireplace and lighted cigars.

"Very ingenious idea," observed Connor.

"I'm flattered that you think so."

"Shows quite an understanding of the criminal mind."

"Of the maniac, rather," corrected Revel. "Read a good bit on insanity. Very interesting."

"We're all agreed X must be a madman," said Sir Herbert, testily.

"My chief objection to your plan, Mr. Revel," continued Connor, "is that it is predicated on the co-operation of the press."

"Does the press have to know the truth?" asked Revel.

Frensham and Connor exchanged startled looks at the suggestion which was plainly a bit too daring for them.

"It only involves deceiving the press for a few days," eagerly explained Revel. "If another Constable is killed Scotland Yard issues a bulletin stating that he was only wounded—seriously, of course, but—"

Sir Herbert arose, disturbed. "I couldn't countenance that."

Revel pressed his argument. "Emergencies call for emergency measures. Then another bulletin, a few hours later, stating that the constable has recovered consciousness and described his assailant. More bulletins: the constable is improving; he is taken home, out of danger.... I'm absolutely sure Mr. X would try to finish his job. He's a maniac—he couldn't resist the impulse."

"Very neat," admitted Connor, "but presupposes the co-operation of both the press and Mr. X."

"But without any definite clue," objected Revel.

"You forget, we already have a definite clue to Mr. X—the Drayton diamond. If we find that—"

"You had the same kind of lead when you found Sir Christopher Marche's scarf," objected Revel.

"True enough, but the man with the Drayton diamond won't be so fortunate as to have you give evidence in his behalf."

"Hardly. But I don't believe a thief clever enough to steal that diamond, would be fool enough to commit murder."

"The constable surprised him at his job."

"Did all the other murdered constables surprise him, too?"

"Very unlikely, I'd say," interposed Frensham.

"No," said Revel, pressing his advantage. "My theory would be that the Drayton diamond was being stolen at the very moment Mr. X was killing the constable."

"An amazing coincidence," said Connor, dryly.

"No more coincidental than my seeing Sir Christopher make off with the bobby's helmet."

"No, no greater, I admit," said Connor, observing Revel closely.

"You make a very plausible case, Mr. Revel. I'd like time to think over what you've said."

"Naturally."

"I'd better be getting back to the Yard, Sir Herbert. Good night, Mr. Revel. It's been an interesting chat."

"Thanks, I hope we meet again."

"Yes," said Connor, quietly. "I dare say we will."

That Superintendent Connor was determined to be prepared for that next meeting with Revel was proved when his subordinates supplied him, a few days later, with information concerning Nicholas Revel, gathered in London and on the Continent. He looked at the report submitted by Chief Detective Inspector Willis, reading as it to himself: "Switzerland, Italy, France, Austria, China, Switzerland again and Spain. Quite a traveler."

He shot a sudden glance at Willis. "Anything from the banks?"

"His only account, under the name of Revel, is in the Dominion Limited—and that is very low at the present. Have you said anything to the Commissioner?"

"No.... If I were to tell him my suspicions, he couldn't help but act differently towards him, and that might put our man on his guard."

"If he is our man."

"Of course he is, Willis. On the strength of an alibi for Marche, Revel meets Miss Frensham."

Through her, he gets into the Commissioner's good graces. The last place to look for a criminal would be in the house of the Chief Commissioner. And three nights ago he spent a lot of time trying to convince us that we were wrong in connecting the Drayton diamond with Mr. X. He was very, very anxious to get us off that trail."

Willis nodded. "Then you think—"

"I don't think, but I'm going to investigate. If Revel should have the Drayton diamond, and if we can find a previous connection between him and Palmer, we'll know their testimony for Sir Christopher was false."

"Then we'll watch Palmer. We can easily catch up with him."

"Meaning," said Connor, "I'm going to have a look around his flat at Barkston Mansions. Sir Christopher was released yesterday and Revel is attending a dinner Miss Frensham is giving tonight to celebrate his release."

Jane Frensham met the first of her guests, Nicholas Revel, with a frank and friendly handshake.

"There are times," smiled Revel, "when one is sorely tempted not to be a gentleman?"

"In what way?" she asked.

"By going out and getting roaring drunk. Oh, I know it's pretty ungracious of me to feel this way when your young man is coming back and I should be glad for your sake—thank the Lord for small mercies and make a graceful exit. Don't you agree?"

"No. Why do you think I asked you here to meet Chris tonight of all nights?"

"To round things off nicely—an old English custom," said Revel, a tinge of bitterness in his voice.

"He'll say: 'Thanks, Revel, old man, you did me a damn good turn.' Not a bit of it, Marche, just glad I happened to be passing at the time. Then Miss Frensham joins in with: 'Well, Mr. Revel, you're invited to call on Chris and myself—but after the honeymoon.'"

"Now you are really being silly," the was protesting, when they heard Marche's voice in the hallway, and they unconsciously drew farther apart. Marche had eyes only for Jane.

"Jane, my sweet! It's so good to see you again." He caught sight of Revel. His exuberant joy fled at having betrayed his emotions in front of a stranger: "Oh, I didn't know."

"That's all right, Chris. You needn't blush," said Jane. "Nick understands. Anyway it's about time you two were formally introduced."

"Glad to meet you, Revel," said Marche, offering his hand. "I must thank you—you did me a damn good turn."

"Not a bit of it, Marche," said Revel, solemnly, with a sly glance at Jane in the awkward pause.

"Just glad I happened to be passing at the time."

"Made a pretty fool of myself that night through drink. If it hadn't been for you, Revel—"

FIRE BRIGADE ORDERS

Magistrate's Strong Comment

Remarking that there should be a definite standing order giving instructions for the conduct of firemen in finding valuables Mr. Hamilton at Central Magistracy yesterday sentenced Cheung Kit, a fireman, to three months' hard labour for the theft of a quantity of jewellery, valued at \$450, from No. 8 Clarence Terrace while engaged in clearing the debris after the Gaswork explosion disaster on May 15.

The question of standing orders arose when Mr. H. T. Brooks, superintendent of the Fire Brigade, informed his Worship that there was no standing order that a fireman after picking things up from a fire should hand them over to the police.

Police Constable L. J. Wagland told the Court that on May 15 he was on duty at the Gasworks area from four to eight a.m. He saw a party of firemen engaged in clearing the debris at No. 8 Clarence Terrace. Several of the picked up articles which they handed over to the police. Later, he saw three firemen being ordered by Mr. Brooks to go to Chung Shing Street. After being told, the three men walked past two Russian and two Chinese Constables, but he did not see or hear any of them making a report of jewellery being picked up.

At about 7.55 a.m. he had reason to believe that some jewellery had been picked up by the firemen at Clarence Terrace and together with Mr. Brooks he went to Chung Shing Street with the intention of searching the three who had been sent there and who had formerly been engaged in clearing No. 8 Clarence Terrace.

As he and Mr. Brooks were walking up the steps leading to Chung Shing Street, he saw one of the three firemen going in the direction of Queen's Road West. Mr. Brooks shouted to him to come back but he appeared not to hear. Mr. Brooks then sent Sub-Officer Yeung to bring him back. They returned together with another fireman.

One of them was still in Chung Shing Street and together with the other two, he and Mr. Brooks went there where the three were searched. Defendant was searched last and in his right hand trouser pocket, a quantity of jewellery was found.

In reply to his Worship, Constable Wagland said that defendant did not hand the articles over while the other two firemen were being searched.

No Order

Mr. H. T. Brooks, superintendent of the Fire Brigade, said that there was no standing order that a fireman after having picked things up at a fire should hand them over immediately to the Police, but there was a standing order saying "owing to larcenies of property which have occurred at certain fires, firemen will be liable to be searched during or after each fire either by their own officers or by police officers."

Defendant did not make any report to him when he passed by, and he could not say whether the standing order had been brought to the notice of the defendant or not.

Defendant when asked whether he had any question to put to Mr. Brooks said that he forgot to hand the articles over to him.

After Yeung Sze, the owner of the property had given evidence, identifying the articles, the defendant gave a statement in the dock. He said that he went on duty at 7 a.m. on the day in question to clear the debris at No. 8 Clarence Terrace.

"I found these things and I admit putting them in my pocket," said the defendant. "I meant to turn them over to the Superintendent after I had finished work. The superintendent sent me on another job at Chung Shing Street. The sub-officer then sent me to a lorry to get hoses. As I was returning he asked me to throw them down and brought me to Chung Shing Street where I was searched. It is true that the things were found on my person. I had no intention of keeping them, for if I did I had

Oh, forget it! We all do foolish things at times."

A servant announced that Sir Herbert was detained at the Yard and Chris followed Jane and Revel into the dining room, a look of hostility and dislike on his face.

(To be Continued.)

TO-MORROW'S CHURCH SERVICES

Trinity Sunday

Anglican Churches

ST. JOHN'S CATHEDRAL HONG KONG

27th May, 1934—Trinity Sunday. Holy Communion 8 a.m. Holy Communion (Peak Church) 8 a.m. Children's Service 10 a.m. Mattins and Sermon 11 a.m. Preacher: The Dean.

Week Day Services. Mattins—Daily at 9 a.m. Intercessions for the Sick—Wednesday at 10.15 a.m. Holy Communion—Thursday at 7.45 a.m.

Choir Practice—Friday at 5.30 p.m.

Peak Church.

The Annual Meeting of worshippers at the Peak Church will be held in the Cathedral Hall at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, May 29th, 1934.

ST. ANDREW'S CHURCH, KOWLOON

27th May, 1934—Trinity Sunday. 8.15 a.m.—Holy Communion. 9.45 a.m.—Young People's Service.

10.00 a.m.—Primary Sunday School.

11 a.m.—Morning Prayer and Sermon.

6.00 p.m.—Evening Prayer and Sermon.

Preacher—The Vicar.

Catholic Churches

CATHOLIC CATHEDRAL

The following are the forthcoming services etc., etc. at the Catholic Cathedral, Caine Road.

27th May, 1934—Trinity Sunday. Feast of the Most Blessed Trinity.

MORNING SERVICES

1st Mass at 6 a.m.

2nd Mass at 8 a.m. with sermon in Chinese.

3rd Mass at 10.30, with sermon in English.

EVENING SERVICE

At 5, Recitation of the Rosary. Solemn Procession in the Cathedral Compound; Sermon and Benediction.

May 28th—Feast of St. Augustine, Bishop of Canterbury.

May 30th—To-day starts the Novena in honour of the Sacred Heart. During this Novena every evening at 5.30

ample chance of putting them away when I go to the lorry. I simply forgot to turn them over. I did not anticipate that I would be searched.

The Magistrate: No, I suppose you didn't.

Continuing the defendant said that when the other two firemen were being searched he was not aware that he had the articles on him.

Good Record

Mr. Brook said that the defendant joined the force on August 1933 and had a clear record. He was a very good worker and he did not think that the defendant had full intention to commit the theft as he would have got rid of it when he went to get the hose.

In passing sentence of three months' hard labour, His Worship remarked that that had the defendant been continuously engaged in clearing the debris at No. 8 Clarence Terrace, he would not have convicted him. The fact that he was asked to go to another place and that he did not make any report while passing Mr. Brooks and the police officers, showed that he had deliberate intention to steal. It was quite reasonable that he could have put the articles away in the lorry, but at the same time he might have thought that he could not recover them had he done so.

Magistrate's Comment

Addressing Mr. Brooks, his Worship said he had a strong comment to make. "It is my opinion," said his Worship, "that there should be a definite standing order giving precise instructions for the conduct of any firemen who does come across articles of value.

In the event of any fireman discovering any valuable he must immediately cease work and hand them to a superior officer who ever he may be."

p.m. there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Vespers and Benediction. May 31st—Feast of "Corpus Christi." At 5.30 p.m., Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Vespers and Benediction.

June 1st—First Friday: Special Devotion in the honour of the Sacred Heart, and General Communion.

During the month of June, every morning at 7 there will be a Mass and Sermon at the Altar of the Sacred Heart, and Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament.

On Week Days

Holy Mass at 6, 7, and 7.30.

Free Churches

METHODIST CHURCH

Services will be held at the English Methodist Church, Queen's Road East, Wanchai.

27th May, 1934—Trinity Sunday. Morning Order 10.15 a.m. by the Rev. E. C. H. Tribbeck.

Hymn No. 28 "Holy, holy, holy, Lord God Almighty" ("Nicaea").

Prayer.

The Lord's Prayer.

Hymn No. 34 "Hail, holy, holy, holy Lord!"

("Tallis' Ordinal").

First Lesson: Isa. 6.

Hymn No. 31 "Father live by all things feared."

("German Hymn" 966).

Second Lesson: St. John 16. 1-20.

Prayer.

Hymn No. 59 "I'll praise my maker while I've breath"

("Monmouth").

Sermon: Subject "The Holy Trinity—That we may not be silent."

Hymn No. 94 "Call Jehovah thy salvation" ("Bethany").

Blessing.

National Anthem.

Evening Order 6 p.m. by the Rev. E. C. H. Tribbeck.

Hymn No. 79 "High in the heavens eternal God"

("Festus").

Prayer.

Hymn No. 102 "My heart and voice I raise" ("Ascension").

Reading Eph. 2. 11-22.

Notices.

Hymn No. 30 "Infinite God, to Thee we raise" ("Dura").

Address.

Hymn No. 109 "How sweet the name of Jesus sounds" ("St. Peter").

Blessing.

NOTICES

At the Sailors' and Soldiers' Home Sunday, 27th May, Christian Social Hour 8.30 p.m.

Monday, 28th May, Badminton Club meets 7 p.m.

Tuesday, 29th May, Jumble Sale in aid of S. & S. H. Funds at 2.30 p.m. organised by the Busy Bees Working Party.

Thursday, 31st May, Badminton Club meets 7 p.m.

Beginning on Sunday, 3rd June and until further notice, the Evening Service will be at 8.15 p.m. and not at 6 p.m. as now.

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Sunday School, 9.30 a.m.

Morning Service, 10.30 a.m. (Broad-cast).

Soloists—Mr. W. H. Bailey.

Evening Service, 6 p.m.

Preacher at both Services—The Rev. Frank Short.

Social Hour will be held in the Church Hall after Evening Service.

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MAY 27, 1934—SUNDAY SERVICES, 11.15 a.m. Subject—"SOUL AND BODY."

The Sunday School is held on Sunday Mornings, 10 o'clock.

Wednesday Evening Meeting, 6.30 p.m. Reading Room at above address open—Thursday and Friday, 10 a.m. to 12 Noon Monday and Thursday, 5.30 to 7 p.m. The Public is cordially invited to attend the services and visit the Reading Room.

CANTON INSURANCE OFFICE, LTD.

Operations Still Quite Satisfactory

"While the results of the Office's operations are still quite satisfactory, it is difficult to see far ahead and we, like everyone else, are feeling the pinch that has resulted from the world-wide trade depression," said Mr. W. J. Keswick, the chairman, at the annual general meeting of the Canton Insurance Office, Ltd. held at the Board room of Messrs. Jardine, Matheson and Co. Ltd., yesterday.

Addressing the meeting, the chairman said:—The Statement of Accounts for the year 1932, which we now present to you, is almost identical with that for the previous twelve months, except that Exchange is calculated at 1/5th as against 1/3, and consequently the showing in local currency is proportionately reduced, as disclosed in Sterling the surplus to be dealt with is \$4,500 less than 1931, while in local currency the difference amounts to over \$231,000.

Income and Losses.

Comparisons of Income and Losses, for the years 1931 and 1932, show that while the former, for 1932, was \$284,000 less, than for the previous year, Losses also were lower by some \$109,000 and therefore went some way to nullify the fall in Income. The Loss Ratio is 54.43 per cent. against 53.21 per cent.; Expense Ratio 31.04 per cent., as compared with 27.38 per cent., and the Underwriting Surplus 14.53 per cent. as against 3.91 per cent.

While the results of the Office's operations are still quite satisfactory, it is difficult to see far ahead and we, like everyone else, are feeling the pinch that has resulted from the world-wide trade depression, which affects us in the form of dearth of business, reduced values, and the consequent intensified competition for what remains. I think I can rightly say that never in the World's history has shipping (on which Marine Insurance is so largely dependent for its existence (been in such a parlous condition as it is to-day, when the British Shipping Industry in applying for temporary State assistance; it was recently stated by the Chairman, at the annual meeting of a well-known shipping company, that any further prolongation of the present conditions would mean the virtual ruin of the Mercantile Marine and an incalculable loss to the Nation as a whole and, this being so, it would be unwise for us to be unduly optimistic as to the future.

Much depends on the return of prosperity to Europe and America, of which lately there have been more hopeful signs; in the meantime, we must exercise patience and endeavour to effect all reasonable economies in working.

High Reserves.

We are fortunate in so much that our Reserves are so high, in proportion to the volume of our operations, that they call for but little beyond a demand for stability; they provide us with a very handsome return in the shape of interest which during recent years, has done more than cover the Annual Dividend and Bonus. This position has not quite held, however, in respect of last year (as will be seen from the Accounts) owing to the fall in the earnings on the "Edged" at Home; nevertheless our Assets are intact and feeling as we do that in years to come, rates of interest will swing back in our direction, we have no present qualms with regard to the continuation of the present rate of Dividend and Bonus. One factor, that might upset our calculations in this direction would be a material rise in Sterling Exchange, but there appears to be as many arguments against as in favour of that coming to pass.

The Working Account

Working Account for the year 1932, after 12 months' suffers from a comparison with 1932, at the same period, by reason of the rise of 2 1/2d. in Exchange. As viewed in Sterling, there is a difference of but 26,000, which cannot be reckoned as material, when present day conditions of trade are considered. In any event, the Account has yet a further twelve months to run and judging by

way things have been going, since the end of last year, we are hopeful of again being able to appear before you with a satisfactory outcome.

An analysis of the Balance Sheet shows that the total of Assets, as expressed in Sterling has increased by \$48,000 while in Hongkong Dollars there is a fall of something in the region of eighteen lakhs. The individual reserves call for so comment by me, as any changes are merely due to the different rate of Exchange at which they are shown, the two exceptions being the Reinsurance Fund and



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BRITISH TRADERS' COMPANY

A satisfactory balance sheet showing a profit in all departments was presented to the shareholders of the British Traders' Insurance Company, Limited, at the annual meeting of the company at Union Building yesterday.

There were present the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie (Chairman), Hon. Mr. J. Owen Hughes, Messrs. G. Miskin, K. S. Morrison, D. O. Russell (Directors), A. W. Hughes (General Manager), and Messrs. J. W. Alabaster, G. S. Archbutt, J. Bentley, N. V. A. Croucher, B. M. C. da Cunha, H. C. Gray and V. R. V. Ribeiro (shareholders).

The adoption of the report and accounts was proposed by the chairman, who said:—The 1932 Marine Account has been closed, and the profit of £12,048.18.6 carried to Profit and Loss Account. The Marine Fund at the end of the year including the additional Reserve amounted to £127,003.13.2. The Fire Account has been closed by setting up a reserve of 40 per cent. for unexpired liability and reserving in full for all known outstanding Losses and leaving a profit of £10,664.11.10 which has been carried to Profit and Loss Account. The Accident and General Account has been dealt with in a similar manner to the Fire Account and a profit of £6,755.6.9 carried to Profit and Loss Account. With these remarks I beg to propose the adoption of the report, revenue account and balance sheet as presented.

Mr. H. C. Gray seconded, and the motion was carried.

Other Business.

Mr. K. S. Morrison and the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie were re-elected to the Board of Directors on the motion of Mr. J. Bentley seconded by Mr. B. M. C. da Cunha.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead and Davis were re-elected auditors on the motion of Mr. J. W. Alabaster seconded by Mr. V. R. V. Ribeiro.

SHANGHAI CO. MEETING

International Assurance Company

The Third Annual General Meeting of the International Assurance Company Limited was held in the Company's Offices, 11, The Bund, Shanghai, on Friday May 18 1934, at 4.30 p.m. Mr. E. R. Smith presided and was supported by Messrs. C. V. Starrs, R. Buchanan, R. Calder-Marshall, R. F. C. Master, E. Sigaut and A. J. Welch (Directors). J. Middleton-Smith (Acting Secretary) and Shareholders, representing in all 81,941 Shares.

The notice convening the meeting and the Auditors' Report having been read the Chairman addressed the meeting and said that although the year 1933 was marked by depression affecting general trade in the Orient and elsewhere, and the insurance business was no exception, all branches of the Company's operations showed favourable results, with continued conservative growth. The year 1933 was not a suitable one in which to seek a large increase in premium income and most insur-

BIBLE SOCIETY'S MEETING

Progress Reported

The British and Foreign Bible Society (Hongkong Auxiliary) held its annual meeting at the Helena May Institute yesterday, when another satisfactory year's progress was reviewed. Mr. P. S. Cassidy was in the Chair and was supported by the Bishop of Victoria, the Rev. H. O. T. Burckwall, the Rev. E. C. H. Tribbeck, the Rev. F. Short (Secretary) and Dr. J. H. Montgomery (Hon. Treasurer).

The Report for 1933 states that \$1350 was handed over to the Parent Society, and that the Committee had been able to maintain the finances of the Auxiliary at about the same level as last year. Further, it was satisfactory to note that there had been an increase in the collections from both the Chinese and non-Chinese Churches.

Following the adoption of the Report and Statement of Accounts, the Rev. H. O. T. Burckwall gave a comprehensive report of work done by the various Bible societies during the year. The speaker said that amazing progress had been made throughout China and that no less than 6,400,000 copies of scriptures were sold during the past year in China and that this represented one million copies more than the number sold during the 88 years, 1811-1899. The number of scriptures sold in South China during 1933 was approximately one million.

Election of Officers

On the proposal of the Rev. H. W. Baines and seconded by the Rev. E. G. Powell, the Rev. A. J. Bennett and Miss M. Drury were elected Hon. Secretaries, and Dr. Montgomery Hon. Treasurer. Sir William Hornell C. I. E. M.A., the Very Rev. Dean Swann and Dr. K. L. Reichelt were elected Vice-Presidents and the Committee for last year was re-elected, with power to add to their number.

The Bishop of Victoria, also addressed the meeting.

AROUND THE COURTS

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cautioned defendant on both summonses.

Case Adjourned.

Mr. Horace Lo appeared on behalf of S. Y. Sung, driver of private car No. 239, summoned for having allowed an unlicensed driver to drive, and Miss Ling, summoned for having driven the car without an appropriate licence, in Shaikwan Road on May 1.

Sergeant Morris stated that the lady was driving the car, when he stopped it. He asked for her licence, but she replied she did not have one. He turned away to "jack" up his motor-cycle, and when he returned to the car the lady had changed places with the driver, who was occupying the driving seat. Sung produced his licence when he asked for it.

The case was adjourned to 11.15 a.m. on May 31, owing to defendants not being present in Court.

On the pretext of purchasing knives in a shop at No. 229 Des Voeux Road, a Chinese youth lifted a cotton singlet out of a drawer. He was seen and when charged before Mr. Macfadyen at Central Magistracy yesterday was bound over.

With eight previous convictions, Kwong Ping Kwan was sentenced to 12 months' hard labour with two years' police supervision by Mr. Wynne-Jones at Kowloon Magistracy yesterday for the theft of 58 cents from the pocket of a passenger on the Mongkok Ferry on Wednesday night.

Another remand of two weeks was applied for by Inspector Saunders at the Kowloon Magistracy before Mr. Wynne-Jones yesterday in the summons against Eric George Harbert, a corporal in the Royal Air Force, who is alleged (1) to have driven a car without due care and caution in Salkins Road on April 28, (2) to have failed to stop after a collision, (3) to have failed to report an accident. Inspector Saunders told the Court that the man whom Harbert is alleged to have knocked down was still in hospital and would have to remain there for another fortnight. The case was accordingly adjourned.

MYSTERIOUS FIRES

Inquiry in Kowloon

Strong allegations of incendiarism were made by the Chief Fire Brigade Officer of Kowloon, Mr. Moss, and by Divisional Inspector Shaftain of Shamshuipo Police Station, at the Kowloon Magistracy yesterday afternoon, when an inquiry into the circumstances surrounding the mysterious outbreak of a number of fires in Nos. 96 and 98 Fuk Wing Street on the early morning of May 11, was held by Mr. Wynne-Jones.

The ground and first floors of No. 96 Fuk Wing Street are occupied by the Kun Kau Knitting Factory, engaged in the manufacture of cotton singlets, and on these premises a number of fires were discovered which were alleged to have had no connection with each other.

Evidence of paper saturated with kerosene oil and also charred pieces of timber which smelt strongly of kerosene oil, was given during the hearing.

Divisional Inspector Shaftain conducted the inquiry while Mr. G. P. Lammert Sr., held a watching brief on behalf of several insurance companies.

Mr. G. C. Moss, Fire Brigade Officer in charge of Kowloon, stated in evidence that as a result of a telephone call, on May 11, he went to a fire reported to have broken out at Fuk Wing Street.

He arrived at the scene shortly after 3.15 a.m. Just about that time another fire was reported in Kowloon and witness left for that fire returning soon afterwards. Witness said he found the first floor of No. 98 Fuk Wing Street well alight, although No. 96 Fuk Wing Street seemed to be all right. While covering the fire in No. 98 witness and his men caught the reflection of an outbreak of fire in No. 96. Both these premises had a common staircase.

As witness entered the main room in No. 96 he found it well alight. The fire seemed to be located around a counter near the middle of the room, while the fire was also burning near the door and on a long wooden shelf which ran the length of the room to the door.

Witness noticed a hole in the concrete floor through which machine belting to some cotton machines passed through to a pulley. There were no signs of fire on the inside of the door of No. 96 although the outside was slightly charred which was accounted for by the flames coming out of the door of No. 98. There was no other fire in the first floor of No. 96.

About a quarter of an hour later witness went downstairs and noticed a reflection of a fire on the ground floor of No. 96. They broke in and found a fire in the back of the shop. On further examination they discovered fire in the cock-loft which was well alight and must have been burning for about a quarter of an hour. Witness said he could see no connection between the fires on the first and ground floors as the buildings are of modern construction. There was no one on the premises at the time.

There was a strong smell of kerosene just inside the door and two tins were found containing between them six gallons of kerosene. In a recess at No. 98 there was a quantity of timber which was saturated with kerosene.

There were five separate fires within 20 yards of each other and witness was positive that there was no possible connection between them.

In the course of his evidence Divisional Inspector Shaftain detailed his investigations and discoveries. The officer stated that at No. 96 Fuk Wing Street he found a quantity of paper which appeared to have been saturated in oil. There were over a thousand cardboard boxes, most of which were empty. Some of these boxes were also saturated with oil. At No. 98, there were traces of oil in a water tub. A quantity of timber also smelt of kerosene.

Witness made enquiries to trace the occupants of Nos. 96 and 98. He found the foreman and three workmen of No. 98. Witness failed to find anyone from No. 96. A man, a cook at No. 96, stated that when he rushed out of the building he snatched up several account books. The fire at No. 96 was a small one and it did not occur to witness to use a bucket of water.

Further hearing was adjourned until next Tuesday.

TRIBUTE TO MR. PAUL LAUDER

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man possessed of the attribute which Carlyle described as "Genius" namely, "the infinite capacity for taking pains," to which I added that Mr. Lauder had had a lengthy experience in the Company's service; and I felt sure merited the confidence reposed in him by the Society's Board of Directors. I further stated that I felt certain that the future would show that such confidence had not been misplaced.

Thereafter, I became much more intimately acquainted with Mr. Lauder and learned to appreciate to the full his many sterling qualities. His was truly a very fine character. Possessed of great foresight, filled with indomitable courage (born of his innate honesty) hardworking, painstaking, patient and courteous to a degree, he embodied all the attributes which go to the making of a successful business man, as you, Mr. Chairman, have so aptly demonstrated.

Despite the onerous duties of his office, Mr. Lauder as we all know, found time to render public services to the Colony in more than one capacity in a manner which commanded the respect and admiration of all who came in contact with him in connection therewith.

Scott As A Poet

To myself, he particularly appealed as a lover of Literature; the more so because he was one of the very few Scotsmen I have met who fully recognized the greatness of his fellow countryman Sir Walter Scott, alike as a Man, a Novelist, and a Poet.

He has more than fully earned the right to retirement, which I fervently hope he may long be spared to enjoy. For me, his departure from the Colony leaves a void which cannot be filled.

Before concluding this speech, I would like to add a few words of welcome to Mr. Hughes as Mr. Lauder's successor in office, and to congratulate him upon his appointment.

The fact that he has been chosen to fill the office of General Manager of the Society is of itself, I think, a sufficient "Hall Mark" of his merits, and the further fact that he has spent altogether thirty-two years in the world of "Insurance" would appear to show good reason for his appointment to carry out what you, Mr. Chairman, have doubtless aptly termed "The exacting position of General Manager of the Society"—phraseology which reminds me that when I called at the Offices of the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation to congratulate Mr. Grayburn upon his appointment as Chief Manager of that renowned Institution, he enquired of me whether I ought not to commiserate with him thereon! From what I have seen of Mr. Hughes I have no doubt that he will rise to the occasion, prove himself to be a worthy successor to Mr. Lauder and thoroughly justify the Board in regard to his appointment. I extend to him the best wishes of myself, and also as I feel I am justified in doing, of all present here to-day for a long and prosperous career as the Society's General Manager.

Other Business

Mr. K. S. Morrison and the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie were re-elected Directors on the proposal of Mr. J. D. Danby and seconded by Mr. A. Stephenson.

Messrs. Lowe, Bingham and Matthews and Messrs. Linstead and Davis, Chartered Accountants and Auditors, were re-elected on the proposal of Mr. W. F. Simmons and M. H. Turner.

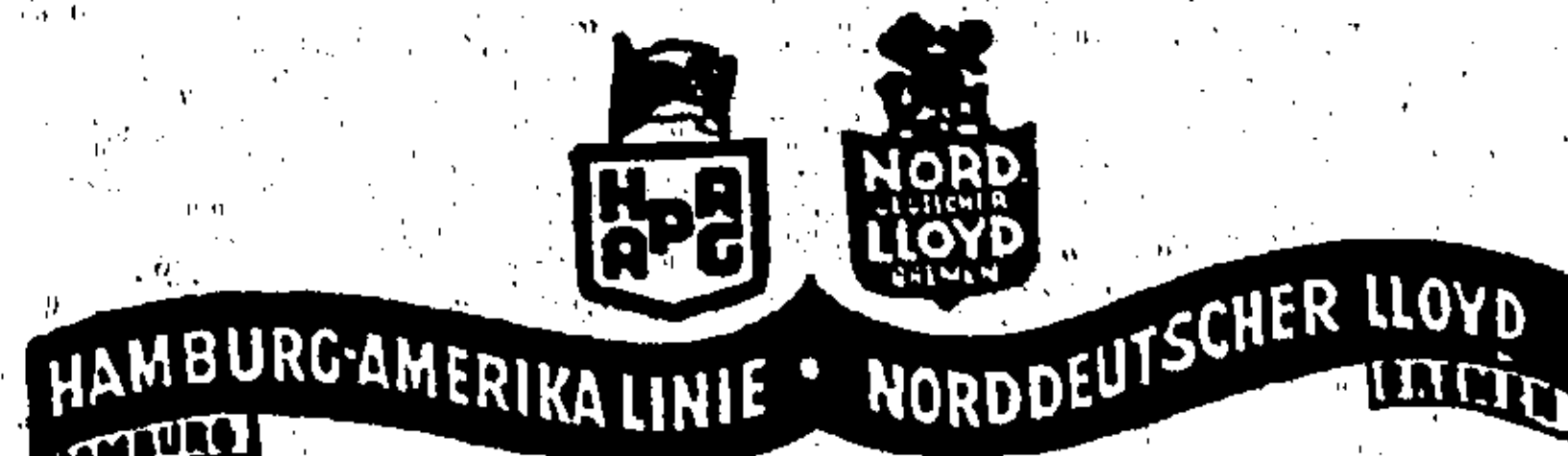
ARTICLES OF ASSOCIATION

Meeting Approves Of Alteration

At a subsequent extraordinary general meeting a special resolution altering a sub-section of the Articles of Association of the Society was passed.

Moving the adoption of the resolution, the Hon. Mr. C. G. S. Mackie said:—Gentlemen—This extraordinary general meeting has been summoned for the purpose of passing a Special Resolution altering Subsection (a) of Article 125 of the Articles of Association of the Society.

A reference to the Articles of Association will inform you that the existing Subsection (a) of Article 125 provides that all cheques requiring signature shall be signed



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SCHOOL CHILDREN CONFIRMED At The Catholic Cathedral

In the Catholic Cathedral, Caine Road, on the morning of Monday, May 21st, after a Pontifical Low Mass, in the presence of a very large congregation His Excellency, Mgr. H. Valtorta, Vicar Apostolic of Hong Kong, administered the Sacrament of Confirmation to one hundred and twenty persons, most of them pupils of the various Catholic Schools attached to the Cathedral Parish. More than fifty per cent. of those confirmed were converts. Since Easter of this year ninety-two (92) were confirmed in St. Teresa's Church, Kowloon Tong; one hundred and two (102) in the Rosary Church, Kowloon; eighty-six (86) in St. Margaret Mary's Happy Valley, and four hundred (400) in the mission districts, bringing the number of those confirmed this year up to 801. The yearly average for the Vicariate during recent years has been over five hundred (500).

By agreement with the Hongkong & Shanghai Banking Corporation, when cheques requiring signature were probably few in number. It is considered advisable now to amend the Article to provide that the detail of cheque signing shall be handled more expeditiously. I think you will agree that the alteration proposed is in the best interests of the Society.

I now have the pleasure to propose the following Special Resolution:

"That the existing Subsection (a) of Article 125 of the Articles of Association of the Society shall be cancelled and the following Subsection to that Article shall be substituted therefore:—

"125 (a). All Deeds and Instruments requiring the seal of the Society shall be signed by two Directors and countersigned by the General Manager or by any such person or persons as the General Manager may from time to time appoint. In the absence of the General Manager all cheques requiring signature shall be signed by the person appointed by the Directors to perform the duties of the General Manager, or by any such person or persons as the Directors may from time to time appoint."

I shall be glad if some shareholder will second the resolution. Mr. J. Ormiston seconded and the resolution was adopted.

CONSIGNEE NOTICES.

NOTICE TO CONSIGNEES.

OCEAN STEAM SHIP CO. LTD. AND CHINA MUTUAL STEAM NAVIGATION CO. LTD.

CONSIGNEES per Co's Vessel "SABEDON" FROM UNITED KINGDOM VIA SINGAPORE

are hereby notified that their Cargo will be discharged into Wharf, Kowloon, where it will be at Consignee's risk and subject to Terms and Conditions of Storage at Holt's Wharf. The Cargo will be ready for Delivery from Godown on and after 24th May.

Optional Cargo will not be landed here unless Notice has been given prior to Steamer's arrival, but carried on from port to port to the final port of call to which the option extends.

All broken, chafed and damaged Goods are to be left in the Godown, where they will be examined on Tuesdays and Fridays between the hours of 10.45 a.m. and Noon within the Free Storage period.

No Claims will be admitted after the Goods have left the Steamer's Godown, and all Goods remaining undelivered after the 31st May, will be subject to Rent.

All Claims against the Steamer must be presented to the Underwriter on or before the 14th June, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected.

BUTTERFIELD & SWIRE, Agents.

24th May, 1934. (3577)

CONSIGNEES' NOTICE.

SCANDINAVIAN SHIPPING AGENCY LTD. ANTWERP

THE British Steamship "HELMSPY"

having arrived from ANTWERP consignees of cargo are hereby informed that all goods are being landed and placed at their risk into The Hong Kong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown Company's Godown at Kowloon, where delivery can be obtained as soon as the goods are landed.

No Claims will be admitted after the goods have left the Godown, where they will be examined by Messrs. Goddard & Douglas on the 28th May, 1934.

All Claims against the vessel must be presented to the Underwriter within 10 days of the ship's arrival, or they will not be recognized.

No Fire Insurance will be effected. Bills of Lading will be countersigned by

WALLEN & CO., Prince's Building, Hong Kong, 25th May, 1934. (2576)

DAILY SHARE QUOTATIONS

Hong Kong Stock
ExchangeSharebrokers'
Association

Buyers	Sellers	Value	Volume	FRIDAY, MAY 25.	Buyers	Sellers	Value	Volume
Banks								
\$1,860		\$1,870		H.K. Banks			\$1,880	
				Chartered Bank				
				Bank of East Asia				
				N. O. & S. Banks				
				Ch. Fin. Corp. Ord.				
				Ch. Fin. Corp. Pref. S				
Insurance								
				Canton Insurance				
				Union Insurance				
				China Fire				
				H.K. Fire				
				International Asso. S.				
Shipping								
				Douglas				
				Steamboats				
				Indes (pref.)				
				Do. (def.)				
				Shells				
				Waterways				
Mining								
				Antamoks				
				Batavia				
				Benguet Consolidated				
				Do. Exploration				
				Do. Goldfield				
				Big Wedge				
				Gold River				
				Gold Creek				
				Ipo Mining				
				Ilogons				
				Kailans				
				Langkai (sin. gld)				
				Exploration S.				
				Shanghai Loans S.				
				Raubs				
				Venerable Gold Fld.				
				Docks, Wharves,				
				Godowns, etc.				
				H.K. & K. Wharves				
				Providents (old)				
				Do. (new)				
				H.K. & W. Docks				
				S. China Motors				
				Do. (new)				
				Shanghai Docks S.				
				New Engineering S.				
				Hongkong S.				
				Land, Hotels, and				
				Buildings				
				H.K. Hotels				
				H.K. Land S.				
				Shanghai Land S.				
				Metropolitan Land S.				
				H.K. Realities				
				China Do				
				Do. Debonaires S.				
				Humphreys				
				New Asia Hotel				
				Asia Realities S.				
				Do. (new)				
				Chinese Estates				
				Colton Mills				
				Ewos				
				Shan Cottons (old)				
				Do. (new)				
				Zong Sins				
				Wing On Textiles (S.)				
				Public Utilities				
				Tramways				
				Peak Trams (old)				
				Do. (new)				
				Star Ferries				
				Yamati Ferries				
				China Lights (old)				
				Do. (new)				
				H.K. Electric				
				Macao do				
				Sandakan Lights				
				Telephones (old)				
				Do. (new)				
				China Buses S.				
				Tramways				
				Do. (pref.)				
				Industrials				
				Malabon Sugars				
				Caldbeck, (ord.) S.				
				Maegregor (pref.) S.				
				Canton Ice S.				
				Cements (old)				
				Do. (new)				
				Ropes				
				Miscellaneous				
				Dairies				
				Der A. Wings				
				Amusements				
				Ch. Etanment				
				Constructions (old)				
				Do. (new)				
				Lane Crawford				
				MacKintosh				
				Mayang Tobacco				
				Rincoes				
				Watsons				
				Wm. Powells				
				M. Greyhounds				
				S. C. Enterprises				
				United Theatres S.				
				Ch. G. 57195 G. Bds.				
				H.K. Govt. Loans				
				Wallace Harper				
				H.K. Wing Co.				
				Shai Do				

MONEY AND MARKETS

H. K. STOCK
EXCHANGE

WEEKLY REPORT

The regularity of prices in the past week was in a sense rather unusual, because it seldom happens that throughout a whole week hardly any fluctuations do not take place in the active stocks, specially when quite a fair amount of business was put through in Hotels, Lands, Trams, Star Ferries, China Lights, Electric, Telephones and Cements, and all closing practically unchanged as compared with the beginning of the period under review. The one exception that may be mentioned are perhaps Cements, which were a shade better as compared with last week.

Generally, the market closes steady in spite of the approaching Settlement Day next Tuesday.

BUSINESS DONE DURING THE WEEK

Hong Kong Banks, \$1,860, \$1,865.
Union Insurance, \$605.
China Underwriters, \$11.
Wharves, \$105.
Providents (Old), \$1.90.
Hotels, \$6.10.
Lands, \$62, \$61.
Tramways, \$21.30, \$21.4, \$21.30, \$21.20.
Star Ferries, \$100, \$101.4.
China Lights (Old), \$9, \$9.05, \$9.
Electric, \$73.4.
Macao Electric, \$24.
Telephones (Old), \$25, \$25.40.
Cements, \$24.
Dairy Farms, \$26.4.
Constructions (Old), \$1.80, \$1.85.
Antamoks, 65 cents.
CHANGES (3.15 P.M.) CLOSING QUOTATIONS

THE EXCHANGE
MARKETMESSRS. ROZA BROS.
REPORT

Silver was a quiet market in London yesterday. Indian sales were absorbed by American purchases. Prices were 19 9/16 and 19 1/8 for Ready and Forward, being 1/8 down on the previous quotations. The closing tone was steady anticipating purchases for American account. There was no change in the Spot price in New York of 44.95. The market was steady but very little was done. Sterling opened in New York at 5.08 1/2 and closed at 5.09 1/2. The market was steady but with a dullish tone.

The outlook was uncertain pending Shanghai advices. Later the market became steady, buyers being reluctant to operate.

Was offered early in the morning at 1/5 7/32 with buyers at 1/5 9/32 but very little business was done. A small business was done at 1/5 5/16 for July and 1/5 9/32 for June. At 1 p.m. the market was 1/5 1/16 May/June sellers 1/5 5/16 July sellers, with buyers for cash and for June at 1/5 9/32 and for July at 1/5 11/32.

U.S. Dollars
Were offered at 36 1/2, buyers bidding 36 1/2. The last rate was done as was also 36 15/16 for September. The market developed later to sellers at 36 1/2 for June, 36 11/16 second half June with buyers at 36 11/16 for June.

Shanghai Dollars
110 15/16.
Shanghai Market
The market was steady. Sterling at 1/34 sellers, 1/3 9/16 buyers, improving to 1/3 9/16 sellers, buyers bidding 1/3 1/8. Dollars, after opening at 32 1/2 and 32 15/16 sellers and buyers, respectively, improved to a selling rate of 32 15/16 with buyers at 33.

IN THE AFTERNOON
There was absolutely nothing doing in the market in the afternoon.
Sterling
Sterling was offered at 1/5 1/4 May/June and 1/5 5/16 for July. There was an inquiry for June at 1/5

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

(BRITISH WIRELESS SERVICE)

On	Sterling Parity	May 23.	May 24.
Amsterdam	12.10 Florins	7.49 1/2	7.50
Athens	375 Drachmas	530 S.	530 S.
Bombay	1s. 6d. per Rupee	22 1/2	22 1/2
Buenos Aires	18.159 Pesos	12.90 1/2	12.90 1/2
Canton	18.159 Pesos	1/6	1/6
Cebu	18.159 Pesos	21.74	21.74 1/2
Colon	18.159 Pesos	510	505
Hankow	18.159 Pesos	36 1/2 S.O.	36 1/2 S.O.
Hongkong	18.159 Pesos	22.39 1/2	22.39 1/2
Manila	18.159 Pesos	15.63	15.64
Medan	18.159 Pesos	22.62	22.62
Shanghai	18.159 Pesos	1/5 1/2	1/5 1/2
Singapore	18.159 Pesos	110	110
Yokohama	18.159 Pesos	37 1/2	37 1/2
London	18.159 Pesos	92.46 Lire	92.46 Lire
Montevideo	50.862 per Peso	38 1/2 S.O.	38 1/2 S.O.
Montreal	4.867 Dollars	5.08	5.08 1/2
New York	4.867 Dollars	5.08 1/2	5.09 1/2
Osaka	18.159 Kroner	19.90 1/2	19.90 1/2
Paris	18.159 Kroner	77 1/32	77 1/32
Prague	18.159 Kroner	122	122 1/2
Rio de Janeiro	26.933 per Gold Milreis	4 1/2 S.O.	4 1/2 S.O.
Shanghai	18.159 Kroner	1/34	1/34
Stockholm	18.159 Kroner	19.40	19.40
Vienna	34.563 Schillings	28 nominal	28
Yokohama	18.159 Kroner	1/24	1/24
Silver (spot)		19 11/16	19 9/16
Silver (forward)		19 1/2	19 1/2
War Loan		3 1/2 102 1/2	3 1/2 102 9/16

Closing Quotations

May 25, 1934		ON NEW YORK:—	
ON LONDON:—		Bank Bills, on demand 35½	
Telegraphic Transfer...	1½	Credits, 60 days' sight, 37½	
Bank Bills, on demand	1½	ON BATAVIA:—	
Bank Bills, 4 months' sight	1½	On demand	52½
Credits, four months' sight	1½	ON PARIS:—	
ON SHANGHAI:—		Bank Bills, on demand 540	
On Demand	110½	Credits, 4 months' sight 600	
ON SINGAPORE:—		ON SAIGON:—	
On demand	60	On demand	54
ON JAPAN:—		ON MANILA:—	
On demand	11½	On demand	71
ON INDIA:—		ON BANGKOK:—	
Telegraphic Transfer...	93½	On demand	131½
Bank on demand		SOVEREIGNS, Bank Buying Rate	1/5 1/2
		BAB SILVER, per oz.	19 9/16

DUNLOP MAKES
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The 1933 accounts of the Dunlop Rubber Company will be a joy to its own shareholders and the envy of all others. For the past four years at least the company has been a pioneer in the cause of more informative accounts, but this year's effort in frankness far surpasses anything previously achieved by any other British company.

Detailed balance-sheets, classification according to liquidity, comparative figures, and even "consolidated" statements are now, happily, familiar features of many accounts, though in all these improvements Dunlop has led the way. But no other company has yet had the courage so far to break with tradition as to give what may be called a "consolidated" profit and loss account, revealing the precise treatment of all subsidiary earnings and segregating all special credits; or to state plainly that all reserves are now disclosed.

All these details now appear, and in the most unambiguous terms, with comparative figures in each case. The shareholder can hardly ask for more. It is, no doubt, too much to hope that all holding companies will speedily follow the Dunlop example, but, now that tradition has once been broken, it is probable that really frank inter-company statements will become more and more common. If so, Dunlop will earn the lasting gratitude of all discerning investors.

Imposing Balance-sheet Figures
This year, as the preliminary statement indicated, the Dunlop figures are peculiarly worth disclosing. Gross earnings have improved by £210,488, or 18 p.c. to £2,232,856, while, thanks to conversion savings, smaller payments under guarantees, and the absence of a further obsolescence reserve allocation, the net figure after larger tax provision is £2,108,909, against £2,567,130.

9/32 which was not met. The market closed as indicated above.

U.S. Dollars
Dollars could have been obtained at 36 1/2, buyers bidding 36 11/16. Shanghai
Sterling was unchanged but the Dollar rate firmed up to a selling rate of 33.

CANTON SILK
MARKET

The Kwangtung Raw Silk Testing Bureau, Department of Reconstruction, Canton, China.
Canton Quotations
Extra O.S. 13/15 H.K. \$460N.
Small Extra O.S. 13/15 H.K. \$400N.
Crack N.S. 14/16 H.K. \$295N.
Extra Extra 20/22 H.K. \$270N.
Waste N.S. Open H.K. \$60N.
Yokohama Quotations
May 24.
Spot Yen 520
Source, six months Yen 533
New York Quotations
May 23.
May 23rd Bid Ask
September 1.23 1.24
December 1.24 1.25
New York Quotations are obtained through Courtesy of American Oriental Finance Corporation.

H.K. SHAREBROKERS'
ASSOCIATION

BUYERS
Unions \$575 rd.
Antamoks, 69 cts.
Trams, \$21.
Lights (old), \$8.80.
Entertainments, \$74.
Constructions, \$1.70.
Gold & Bonds, \$4 1/2.
SELLERS
Raubs, \$154.
Hotels, \$6.05.
Providents (Old), \$1.95.
Trams, \$21.20.
Lights (old), \$8.95.
Electric, \$74.
Telephones (old), \$25 1/2.
Cements, \$2.70.
Constructions (old), \$1.80.
Lane Crawford, \$4.
SALES
Hotels, \$6.
Lights (old), \$8.85.
Electric, \$73 1/2.

SHANGHAI RUBBER
SHARES

Messrs. Carroll Bros. have just received the following cabled quotations of Shanghai Rubber Shares.
Anglo Javay \$3.25
Anglo Dutch 4.50
Chemors 80
Consolidated 3.00
Java Consolidated 1.50
Kroonwoks 47 1/2
Tenah Merahs 1.68
Tebongs 5.50
Zhangbes 7.50
Ewo Cottons 11.25

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Pres. Hoover June 16, 8 a.m.	Pres. Jefferson June 5, mid-night
Pres. Lincoln July 4, 8 a.m.	Pres. Grant June 12, 8 a.m.
Pres. Coolidge July 14, 8 a.m.	Pres. McKinley July 7, 8 a.m.
Pres. Cleveland Aug. 1, 8 a.m.	Pres. Jackson July 31, 8 a.m.

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Pres. Hayes June 5, 8 a.m.	Pres. Wilson May 29, 6 p.m.
Pres. Johnson June 12, 8 a.m.	Pres. Jefferson June 5, 6 p.m.
Pres. Monroe July 7, 8 a.m.	Pres. Hoover June 7, 9 p.m.
Pres. Van Buren July 31, 8 a.m.	Pres. Hayes June 9, 8 a.m.

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QUOTATIONS
Tel. 26631—Asia Life Building, 3rd Floor.
(REUTERS THROUGH THE AMERICAN ORIENTAL FINANCE CORPORATION)
New York: May 24
Dow Jones Averages: High—1933/34. Low: May 23. May 24. Change
30 Industrials 110.74 50.16 92.28 93.37 .51 up
20 Rails 36.94 25.43 48.37 42.70 .36 up
20 Utilities 37.75 19.33 32.89 32.85 .18 up
40 Bonds 94.31 72.31 92.98 93.96 .03 down
Commodity Index 60.44 41.98 53.35 53.70 .15 up
The A. O. F. Corp. has received the following report from

CHINA NAVIGATION COMPANY, LIMITED.

SHANGHAI	SHUNTIEN	On 26th May, 4 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	KWANTUNG	On 26th May, 5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	SHANTUNG	On 27th May, 3 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	KWEITANG	On 27th May, 4 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	SINKIANG	On 29th May, 3 p.m.
SHANGHAI, DALIAN		
AMOI & SHANGHAI	TRIAN	On 29th May, 5 p.m.
HOIHOW & BANGKOK	KAYING	On 30th May, 3 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	TAIYUAN	On 30th May, 5 p.m.
HOIHOW, FAKHOI & HAIKONG	KINGYUAN	On 1st June, 3 p.m.
SWATOW, FOOCHOW & WEIMAIWAI		
CHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	HUNAN	On 1st June, 3 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	HUPEH	On 2nd June, 5 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	SUNNING	On 3rd June, 3 p.m.
SWATOW & BANGKOK	KIANGSU	On 3rd June, 4 p.m.
SHANGHAI, DALIAN		
AMOI & SHANGHAI	CHINHUA	On 3rd June, 5 p.m.
SWATOW & SINGAPORE	ANSUN	On 4th June, 3 p.m.
SWATOW, SHANGHAI & TIENTSIN	SHUNYAN	On 4th June, 5 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	WIMAN	On 6th June, 3 p.m.
HOIHOW, FAKHOI & HAIKONG	KWANTUNG	On 7th June, 3 p.m.
AMOI & SHANGHAI	YCHOW	On 8th June, 5 p.m.

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M.S. "JAVA" on or about 5th June on or about 17th June

M.S. "MALAYA" " 5th June " 15th July

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Hai Ning, Douglas, June 1.

Sui Sang, Jardine's, June 1.

Shirala, B.I. (Apar), June 1.

Hupei, B. & S., June 2.

Tsai, B. & S., June 2.

Sirhan, B.I. (Apar), June 15.

Kut Sang, Jardine's, June 16.

Hop Sang, Jardine's, May 29.

Hunan, B. & S., June 1.

Yat Shing, Jardine's, June 1.

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EASTWARD.

FROM HONG KONG TO N. AND SOUTH AMERICA.

Bahia.

Gertrude Maerck, Jensen's, May 28.

Pres. Wilson, Dollar's, June 1.

Baltimore.

Gertrude Maerck, Jensen's, May 28.

Glancus, B. & S., June 10.

Boston and New York.

Gertrude Maerck, Jensen's, May 28.

Pres. Wilson, Dollar's, June 1.

Silverland, Furness, June 1.

Glancus, B. & S., June 10.

Orizaba.

Gertrude Maerck, Jensen's, May 28.

Pres. Wilson, Dollar's, June 1.

Havana.

Talhybuis, B. & S., May 31.

Aramis, Messageries, June 5.

Tyndarus, B. & S., June 21.

Monrovia.

Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., June 1.

Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., June 6.

Pres. Wilson, Dollar's, June 1.

Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., June 29.

Los Angeles.

Gertrude Maerck, Jensen's, May 28.

Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., June 6.

Pres. Wilson, Dollar's, June 1.

Mexico.

Talhybuis, B. & S., May 31.

Tyndarus, B. & S., June 21.

Panama.

Gertrude Maerck, Jensen's, May 28.

Glancus, B. & S., June 10.

Philadelphia.

Gertrude Maerck, Jensen's, May 28.

Glancus, B. & S., June 10.

San Francisco.

Chichibu Maru, N.Y.K., June 6.

Pres. Wilson, Dollar's, June 1.

Seattle.

Pres. Jackson, Dollar's, May 28.

Talhybuis, B. & S., May 31.

Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, June 1.

Tyndarus, B. & S., June 21.

South America (W.O.).

Talhybuis, B. & S., May 31.

Tyndarus, B. & S., June 21.

Vancouver, B.C.

Talhybuis, B. & S., May 31.

Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., June 1.

Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., June 15.

Tyndarus, B. & S., June 21.

Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., June 29.

Victoria, B.C.

Pres. Jackson, Dollar's, May 28.

Talhybuis, B. & S., May 31.

Emp. of Japan, C.P.S., June 1.

Pres. Jefferson, A.M. Line, June 1.

Emp. of Asia, C.P.S., June 15.

Tyndarus, B. & S., June 21.

Emp. of Canada, C.P.S., June 29.

Southward.

FROM HONG KONG TO COAST PORTS, MANILA, AUSTRALIA.

Australian Ports, East and West

Kitano Maru, N.Y.K., May 28.

Tanda, E. & A. S.S. Co., June 2.

Aeneas, B. & S., June 5.

Agamemnon, B. & S., June 29.

Manila.

Tjibadak, J.C.J. Line, May 29.

Bangkok.

Hiram, Thoresen's, May 27.

Kwai Yang, B. & S., May 27.

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